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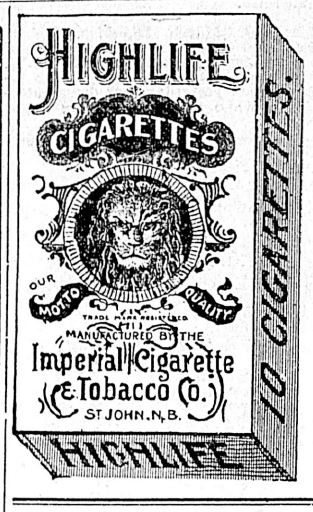

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A Chicago Senator Excites the Galleries by Urging Speedy and Terrible Vengeance.

Declaration of War From a Utah Member—Resolutions Demanding Cuban Independence.

Spanish Press Counsels Resistance to American Intervention in any Form.

Madrid, March 29.—The semi-official El Liberal says: "The report of the Maine court contains no grave statements, therefore President McKinley will not use that pretext for declaring war, but will use the relief of the Cubans. We believe the Spanish government will never tolerate a foreign nation in the guise of philanthropy invading our territory, for it would be followed by the unanimous protest of the Spanish people." The same paper then counsels Spain to prepare to repel every kind of intervention, to be uncompromising and to "accept nothing affecting the dignity or sovereignty of Spain."

The Imparciale (independent) says it notes a change of attitude on the part of the United States, expressing the belief that when the six Spanish cruisers and torpedo boats arrive in Havana harbor the relations betwene the two countries will improve, and hopes that the Spanish government will "act on these lines."

Great enthusiasm is manifested here on account of the performance at the royal theatre to collect funds by national subscription, to increase the strength of the navy. Seats are selling at fabulous prices.

Washington, March 29.—Interest in the Cuban situation reached a climax in the proceedings of the senate to-day. As on previous days of discussion of the Cuban question thousands of people flocked to the capital, only a few of whom comparatively could gain admission to the galleries. Within five minutes after the senate convened, Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, introduced a resolution recognizing the independence of the Cuban republic. This was followed by a resolution proposed by Mr. Rawlins, of Utah, declaring war against the kingdom of Spain. Mr. Foraker, of Ohio, then introduced a resolution declaring for such intervention in the Cuban situation as would bring the independence of the Cubans. Following this came a resolution by Mr. Frye, of Maine, demanding that Cuba be made free.

The resolutions followed one another so rapidly that the galleries were in a commotion and the people were prepared for anything. This was the condition when the Vice-President recognized Mr. Mason, of Illinois, who had announced a speech on the President's message transmitting to congress the findings of the Maine court of inquiry. Mr. Mason read his speech from manuscript, but it was delivered with all the vigor and fire of which he is capable. The intensity of the feeling of the galleries was evinced by the storm of approvals which was elicited by his declaration that he was for war. Vice-President Hobart had read difficulty in suppressing the demonstration.

Describing the destruction of the Maine in Havana harbor, the Illinois senator said: "The night came on, a dark gloomy night, natural and proper time for Spanish bravery. Our men were asleep in a friendly harbor. They were never challenged to try their courage. They were not whipped in honorable battle, but choked, burned, strangled and drowned without a chance to die fighting for life, without a moment to say a prayer. In the twinkling of an eye they stood in the presence of their maker. Suppose ninety of them had been United States senators, suppose the balance had been members of Congress or made up of judges and leading professional and business men, would forty days have elapsed before war began? Or suppose each senator had a son or a father there? Do we tell our children the truth when we say that the life of every American is of equal value before the law? They were not serfs, they were sailors. Their widows and orphans cry aloud to us, the silent appeal of 268 seamen comes to us again and again, saying "We are flesh of your flesh, bone of your bone, and blood of your blood. We loved and died with the flag that shields you." What is to be our answer? Shall we answer with money? Mr. President I speak only for myself, and I am for war. (Great applause in the galleries.)

Mr. Mason does not approve of the action taken by President McKinley. Here is what he had to say on the subject: "Congress alone can declare war. I for one am ready to vote now. You may continue to cry 'peace, peace,' but there can be no peace while Europeans own and butcher their slaves on the same continent as this flag floats.

"But there are those who say that the court does not fix the responsibility. It was not necessary. We were in Spanish waters and over Spanish soil. The harbor is owned and controlled by Spain. The explosives in that harbor were owned and controlled by Spain. If it was a torpedo it was a Spanish torpedo. If it was a mine it was a Spanish mine. No explosives have been on sale in Havana for over a year to private citizens. If it was guncotton it was Spanish guncotton and if it was dynamite it was Spanish dynamite. The power to explode it was controlled by Spain. A government acts only through its agents and officers and they control the discharge of their cannon. It was owned, located and exploded by Spain and Spain must answer." (Great excitement in the galleries.)

The concluding remarks of the warlike senator from Chicago fairly electrified his upstairs hearers. Here they are: "Let us away, shake off the Chinese narcotic that locks us up in drowsy indolence, murmuring 'peace at any price.' Awake us as our forefathers did at Concord and Bunker Hill; awake to glorious war against a nation that burns homes and murders women and children; awake to glorious war that seeks no gain for us in treasure or territory, but a war to drive the oppressor from the continent, to save the Cuban flag on the sky forever, and a war that will help us for generations to come by giving notice that the honor of our flag and the lives of our citizens must be respected among the nations of the world." (Loud applause from the galleries.)

U. S. CHINESE SQUADRON.

The Muster at Hongkong Regarded as Display of Sympathy With British Policy.

London, March 29.—A dispatch from Shanghai to a news agency here says there is reason to believe that the presence of the entire American squadron at Hongkong, which was originally supposed to be designed for Manila on the prospect of war with Spain, was really intended as a practical display of American sympathy with the British policy in China. The American and British admirals had frequent interviews.

DERVISH DEPOT TAKEN.

Anglo-Egyptian Forces Succeed in a Brilliant Move Against Their Adversaries.

Cairo, March 29.—Shendy has been captured by the British, having been taken by surprise. The gunboats and a battalion of Egyptians aboard ascended the Nile from the mouth of the Atiba river and arrived at Shendy by dawn on Saturday. The gunboats shelled the forts and then the battalion was landed and attacked the town. The attack was made by a flank movement and the dervish garrison was completely routed, the Egyptians pursuing them for 20 miles.

The capture of Shendy was a brilliant manoeuvre as the main body of the dervishes which had advanced against the Anglo-Egyptian forces from Shendy, is now cut off from its base and its reserve depot is destroyed.

The dervishes who advanced against the Anglo-Egyptian army are entrenched at El Hilgi on the Atibori river. They are suffering severely from lack of food and are subsisting on palm nuts. The destruction of their supplies at Shendy will compel them to give battle for which the Anglo-Egyptian expedition has been eagerly awaiting. News of a crushing defeat of the dervishes is expected here hourly.

BRITAIN'S QUID PRO QUO.

A Slice of Chinese Soil for an English Syndicate—Li Hung Chang to the Fore.

London, March 28.—The Chronicle says this morning that it has reason to believe an area of 10,000 square miles in the province of Shanghai has been conceded by China to a syndicate of English capitalists. "If this is true," says the Chronicle, "it is obvious that Lord Salisbury has approved of the scheme."

The British squadron, according to a despatch from Hongkong to the Daily Mail, has been ordered to Chefoo on the north coast of the Shanghai Tung promontory.

The Daily Mail's correspondent at Pekin, telegraphing by way of Tientsin, says: "It is believed that Li Hung Chang is about to return to power and that another mission to Europe is possible. Prince Kung has refused to sign the Russo-Chinese convention, and has resigned the presidency of the Tsungli Yamen."

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HOPE FOR CORBIN BILL

Minister of Railways Speaks for It Before the Committee of the Commons.

He Desires to Give the Grand Trunk an Entry Even Over American Roads.

Export Duty on Ore Announced to Accompany Grant of This Charter.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Ottawa, March 29.—The Kettle River Railway bill is still on tenter hooks but from present appearance it will pass the Commons, although so quickly do changes come it is not safe to predict what may happen on Thursday, when the final trial of strength comes. The change since last week is due entirely to Mr. Blair's attitude in throwing his whole strength with Mr. Corbin. Previous to the minister's speech Mr. Bostock to-day spoke in favor of the measure and Mr. Maxwell against it. The latter in the course of his speech convulsed the committee when by a slip of the tongue he referred to the "C.P.R. government."

The minister of railways dwelt upon the immense value of the Boundary Creek country. He thought that perhaps its equal is not to be found in any other part of Canada. He looked to see population flow in to the number of from 40,000 to 50,000 souls in a few years. To his mind the idea of refusing connection to the south was an exceptional proposition. It seemed to him that to refuse connection with American roads would be in direct contradiction of the policy of Canada. He had no feeling adverse to either the Grand Trunk of the C.P.R., but if the Boundary Creek country called for development independent of both these roads, he would give his vote for the public interest, aside from the private interests of these great systems. The people of Canada are independent of railway corporations and the parliament of Canada also is independent. He had some faith in the power of the government in railway rates, but he had faith in competition. It was for this reason he would give the Grand Trunk an opportunity of entering Southern British Columbia, even if they had to get rights over an American line to do so. He had very little faith in his country if that connection with the south would ruin our trade. Evidence was wanting to convince him that Canada was even liable to lose trade by connection with the south. He favored an export duty on ores. If the principle of the bill were adopted he would move to incorporate a provision which would effectively guard against shipping ore outside Canada for smelting if facilities can be found in Canada.

Messrs. Ross Robertson and McInnes wanted to know how Mr. Blair reconciled his present attitude with the government's position on the Yukon Railway bill.

Mr. Blair said that question was not up, but he could not occupy two positions. He for one was not prepared to sit at the feet of Van Horne and learn patriotism.

"I do not want," said Mr. Robertson, "to place the control of our trade in the hands of a railway autocrat."

Mr. Maclean vigorously supported the bill. He was glad to hear the minister's statement regarding export duties. He wanted to see the Grand Trunk getting into the country, as once there it would not be long before that company got into the Northwest.

One o'clock having arrived, the bill went over until Thursday.

In the house this afternoon, Mr. Davin read from Mr. Blair's speech last session on the Crow's Nest bill in which he expressed diametrically opposite views to those in committee this morning. Mr. Blair was present, but said nothing.

ARRESTED AT SEA.

An American Schooner Lodges a Complaint Against a Spanish Gunboat.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 29.—The American schooner Hester of Pensacola, Fla., loaded with lumber, has arrived here and her captain reports that while on the voyage he was stopped by a Spanish gunboat, which towed the schooner into Casa Ildia and detained her there for three days. The captain has referred the matter to the United States consul here.

CRUSHED IN THE ICE.

Vessel Demolished Off Newfoundland—Terrible Sufferings of the Crew.

St. John's Nfld. March 29.—The steamer Algerine which has just arrived here, reports that the steamer Mastiff was crushed in the ice on the night of March 15. The vessel sank. Her crew were adrift on the ice floes for 48 hours. There was no loss of life, though many were fearfully frostbitten.

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NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Yukon Bill Still Before the Senate —The Proposed All-Canadian Wagon Road.

Coasting Act Amendment by Sir Hibbert Tupper to Cover Pacific Coast Conditions.

Canadian Cruiser Coveted by the States—Ministers Ill—Russian Seizure Indemnity.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Ottawa, March 29—The senate did not reach a vote on the Yukon Railway bill to-night, as many members desired to speak. The feature of to-day's discussion was Sir Mackenzie Bowell's vigorous speech against the measure. Senator Templeman followed him and created a favorable impression with his maiden effort. He read telegrams from Mr. Shaughnessy stating that the Canadiai Pacific traffic for the six weeks from February 1 to March 15 to Victoria increased a hundred per cent.

In the Commons to-day, Mr. Foster observed that the statement had been made in the Senate that a wagon road by the all-Canadian route would be made into the Yukon for the mounted police and military. He would like to know the government's policy in this regard.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that he announced in the house that the government would ask parliament for an appropriation for the survey of a route from Observatory Inlet to Glenora. He intimated, however, that he could not make a statement of the government's policy in the event of the rejection of the Yukon Railway bill by the Senate.

The second reading of the franchise repeal act was carried to-night, Mr. Powell's amendment being defeated by 97 to 48. This declared that while desirous of reducing the expenses of the preparation of the lists so far as practicable, the house considers no system of franchise satisfactory which does not preserve federal control both over the basis of suffrage and the voters' lists.

Sir C. H. Tupper gives notice of a bill to declare that the coasting act covers indirect shipments of Canadian merchandise in other than British vessels between Canadian ports, and to meet the action of the United States authorities on the Pacific coast and the bill now before Congress in this regard.

Sir Louis Davies received a telegram from Secretary Long of the United States navy department, asking if the Canadian government would sell the fishery cruiser Arcadia to the American government. A polite refusal was sent.

Mr. Tarte is seriously ill, and may have to take some days' rest. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had to leave the house to-day suffering from indisposition.

The minister of marine to-day settled up the claims of the owners of the Willie McGowan, one of the vessels seized by the Russians. The award to the Ariel is still here although it was incorrectly stated some days ago that it had been sent to the owners at Victoria.

CONGRESS AND CABINET.

Administration Proceeding Too Quietly to Suit the More Warlike Representatives.

Washington, March 29.—Congress and the cabinet are divided on the matter of the Spanish situation. In congress the feeling which began to take form after the President's conservative and pacific message on the Maine report was submitted yesterday, found open recognition to-day in resolutions proposing a declaration of war; recognition of the independence of Cuba; armed intervention and other decisive and warlike steps against Spain, and, in conferences of Republicans having for their object the overruling of the Speaker if necessary to get prompt action. Both on the floor, in the cloak rooms, in the lobbies and in the corridors, there was little else discussed than the Cuban situation and the Maine disaster. Every senator and member was furnished with a copy of the testimony sent to congress yesterday and every person who could read the printed pages. Many groups of senators in the cloak room talked of Cuba; constant and continual conferences were held, and all recognized the seriousness of the situation. On the house side it was apparent that the Republican majority could no longer be controlled by what is known as the conservative element lead by the Speaker. Groups of be seen on every hand. In each cloak room there were members listening eagerly while portions of the Maine testimony were read. Members of the committee of foreign affairs, grouped together and discussed plans and future proceedings. It was generally acknowledged that a serious condition had arisen and that a crisis would soon be at hand. It was the opinion of some conservative members that in a day or two the feeling would subside and members would not be so agitated. Much depends on the next few days. That congress will not long remain inactive if some decided action is not taken by the administration is certain. It is also true that the talk of an armistice caused a great deal of ill-feeling.

The house to-day proceeded to do business without a break or dramatic incident, but no such quiet can be promised for to-morrow.

Madrid, March 29.—Beyond the fact that a few policemen and a couple of civil guards stand outside the American legation there is absolutely no sign in Madrid of the tension between Spain and America. So far as the general public is concerned the matter is little discussed, even the press being to-day hopeful of a peaceful settlement. The note which United States Minister Woodford presented is practically a repetition of the one presented in September, which in the interest of humanity asked Spain for an immediate cessation of hostilities in Cuba. Upon Spain's reply to this the matter hinges. A conference was held at the presidency to-day, at which Senor Sagasta, the Premier, Senor Gullon, the Foreign Minister; Senor Morel, the Minister for the Colonies, and General Woodford were present and at which it had been hoped a decision would be reached.

"Both governments are absolutely agreed as to the desirability of a settlement," said a diplomat, but the tension is so great between the two that it would only take a little further strain to split the hawser."

CONDITIONS AT SKAGWAY.

A British Columbian States for His Friends' Benefit the Exact State of Affairs.

Skagway, March 15.—Having a few minutes at my disposal I wish to let those who may be following know the true condition of affairs obtaining here as I am sure that many, like myself, will be somewhat surprised upon arriving.

The first obstacle one meets is the charge for landing which at the wharf when we were landed amounted to the modest sum of 15 cents per package on the freight and 25 cents per package on my baggage.

Your next obstacle is to pass the U.S. customs, to do which you are forced to employ a broker to make out your papers and secure your bond and convoy. The amount of your bond is as follows: The invoice is doubled and 30 per cent. duty added. The broker's charge is 2½ per cent. of the amount of your bond, which, with my modest outfit of some two tons amounted to the "merely nominal sum" of $25. Then you must have a convoy or United States inspector of customs to accompany you to the summit whose charge is $6 per diem. If you have occasion to hire an express you are charged $1.50 and other things in proportion. Beds and meals may be obtained for 25 cents each; beer 12½ cents a glass or 25 cents per quart.

Packing to Bennett is now quoted at 15 cents per pound, and is daily becoming higher. Two weeks ago you could have the same work done for 9 cents, but the roads are repidly becoming worse and the talk is that 25 cents and 30 cents will be asked before a month has passed. The Dyea trail is said to be so blocked at Sheep Camp that goods already there will not be moved before July. Altogether the Skagway trail seems to be the best entrance.

Of our trip up on the C.P.N. boat Tees I cannot speak too highly. The officers and men were always courteous and obliging and everything possible was done to make us comfortable; and our speedy trips speaks for the efficiency of her navigators.

If these few comments should meet the eye of any intending pilgrim I trust he will take them to himself because this is exactly what he will find no matter what he may be told. Government officials move slowly and by next fall some change may be made, but this letter tells exactly what to expect now.

The weather here is fine, windy but bracing and one must not expose one's self; but the reports of epidemic are simply untrue in every particular.

I hope to write again from Bennett and perhaps be able to give some other information relative to this trip that would be of interest to some of your readers.

A. H. HAWKINS.

London, March 29.—All the despatches of the American correspondents of the London morning papers deal to-day with President McKinley's difficult position in the face of a "revolt in congress" and the "attitude of the jingoes." Mr. Geo. W. Smalley cables to the Times that he believes that President McKinley holds "the key to the situation." The Daily News says: "The true test of President McKinley's influence and statesmanship will be furnished to-morrow. His message will either settle the difficulty or precipitate war.

Washington, March 29.—The revolt in the house against further delay of action on the Cuban issue culminated late this evening in a meeting of Republican members whose ideas are in accordance with a positive early course. The number present was sufficiently large by consolidation with the Democratic forces to carry out any programme decided upon. After some vigorous speeches denunciatory of Spain, it was decided to defer any radical action. Speaker Reed and President McKinley to be notified of the meeting. Important action is looked for in the house on Thursday.

CONTEMPT FOR BRITAIN

Alleged to Prevail in the Russian Capital with Belief That She Will Only Protest.

Lord Selborne Declares that the British Have Made no Sacrifices in China.

German Prince Values England's Friendship—Japan's Policy not yet Announced.

London, March 29.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says: The greatest indifference, amounting almost to contempt, is shown here for any possible British protests against the Russo-Chinese agreement. The Novoe Vremya declares: "England will never go beyond a protest. Her predominance in the Far East is gone forever and it will be worse for her if she fails to come to a timely agreement with Russia, France, and Germany."

Warlike preparations continue here. Considerable importance is attached to a speech of Lord Selborne, under secretary for the colonies, in this city today, in which, although he disavowed speaking as a responsible member of the government, it is believed he expressed the government's views. Lord Selborne declared that there was no more humiliation for England in failing to exclude Russia from Manchuria than there would be for Russia in failing to exclude England from Khartoum.

"We should receive from any power carving out a sphere of influence in China" he said, "a confirmation and reassertion of the rights we now enjoy, and any government should make the infringement of these rights a casus belli. England has lost nothing in China which ought to have been kept. The policy of an open door is intact. We have already obtained valuable compensations and are in a position to obtain more if we require them."

London, March 30.—The Times, commenting editorially on Lord Selborne's speech yesterday, says: "The language of Lord Selborne is not calculated to dispel the dangerous illusion expressed by the Russian newspapers that Great Britain will not go to a greater length than protests."

The Morning Post says: "Lord Selborne's speech appears to indicate that the government is conscious of having lost the game against Russia.

The Hongkong correspondent of the Times says a brilliant ball was given to-night (Tuesday) in honor of Prince Henry of Prussia, who feliciously proposed prosperity to the colony. General Black, responding, thanked Prince Henry for his gracious words and declared that there was no reason under heaven why England and Germany should not be friends.

Yokohama, March 29.—There is still no indication of what the policy of the Japanese government is or will be in reference to Russia's action. The presumption is that the government is waiting until China shall have paid its indemnity.

Pekin, March 29.—Two thousand Russian troops, including cavalry have been landed at Port Arthur and it is said that seventeen guns are en route to fortify Port Arthur and Talienwan. The Chinese flag is hoisted beside the Russian, to save China's face, but the Chinese do not attach much importance to these features since they are aware that the Russians will remain in perpetuity. There are nine Russian warships now at Port Arthur.

THE GLOBE'S EXPLANATION.

"American Lobbyists" Credited With the Defeat of the Railway Contract Bill.

Toronto, March 29.—The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says: "The full extent of the mischief done to Canadian interests in the Yukon by American lobbyists, who have worked upon the senate until they have compassed the defeat of the Yukon railway bill is becoming more apparent every day. The old time residents of the Yukon who reached the capital within the last few days, in an interview to-day threw a flood of light on the Livernash mission and its probable result. From the story told by these men it would appear that the Alaska Commercial Company and the North American Transportation Company have the best reasons for seeking to prevent a railway from being built into the Yukon, especially from Canadian territory, and that if Livernash were an agent of those companies he could not do better service than he is now doing. It would appear also that the miners' delegates are flying in the face of opinion in Klondike in opposing the construction of a railway of any sort and upon any terms. Those whose views are given are two of the best known and most respected men in the Yukon territory and their experience extends over many years." The correspondent then publishes an interview with T. W. O'Brien and Fred B. Hyde. Hyde stated that after Livernash was appointed a petition was circulated to have his appointment cancelled as he was considered an unsuitable representative. The delegates would never have been sent, he says, if it had been thought that they would oppose the railway. Mr. O'Brien said there would be a hot time in Dawson when miners there hear of what Livernash has been saying in connection with the railway.

LILLOOET LOOKING UP.

Some Very Promising Mining Properties —The Bridge River Prospects— Glad of the Road.

Lytton, March 24.—A good deal of attention and interest is being given to the work of The Mira Monte Mining Company, Limited, on their properties, Olive, Stella and California, situated on Six-Mile Creek, about five miles northeast of Lytton, and operated by a company of Californians. They have an 8-foot ledge, with croppings assaying from $20 to $50 to the ton, free milling. They are now proceeding to put in a tunnel of 200 feet, and expect to strike the ledge about 800 or 900 feet down. Current opinion here is that this is one of the most valuable properties in the district.

Mining in Bridge River district is attracting a good deal of attention, and prospectors and miners are going in in crowds every day. Lytton expects, when the Lillooet wagon road is proceeded with by the government to have an improvement in general business.

Hurley & Cameron are going to start on the 1st of April a livery and teaming business in Lytton, and will, until the road is finished from here to McGillivray's half-way house, take Lillooet freight in on pack horses and then take the wagon road. Of course when the wagon road is finished to Lytton they will use stage and team conveyance.

Silverthorn Bros., who operate the Bailey House here, report business and travel amongst miners better than a year ago. The entire population is elated over the prospective early completion of the Lytton-Lillooet wagon road.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER.

A Yukon Contract in the Courts—Death of Mrs. Gregory—The Forger Case.

Vancouver, March 29.—(Special)—Mrs. Gladys Edgerton, en route for Dawson, sued J. W. Stansfield here before Mr. Justice Irving for damages arising out of Stansfield having promised to land her at Dawson and give her a claim for $500. The matter was settled by Stansfield binding himself to carry out the agreement.

The death of Mrs. Gregory, formerly Mrs. Locksley Lucas, took place at Westminster this morning.

W. Pollock, J. P., of Shoal Bay, has been arraigned before Capt. Mellon on the charge of forgery of certain government vouchers already referred to.

PATRIOTISM IN BARCELONA.

Offer of Liberal Contributions to Purchase Swift Yacht for Spanish Purposes.

Barcelona, March 29.—A quantity of artillery is about to be embarked here on two vessels for conveyance to the Canary islands to be used in the defence in case of war.

Employees of business houses here have offered a day's pay monthly to cover the cost, about $300,000, of the purchase by Spain of Mr. H. S. B. McCalmont's steel yacht Giralda, which was offered to the United States government, but was declined. The Giralda is now here. It was built under the supervision of the British admiralty, is fitted for eight guns and carries at present four rapid-firing guns. It has a speed of about 22 knots.

OPERATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

Speculators on Wall Street Badly Fooled by the Plan for a Bear Panic.

New York, March 29.—Wall Street awoke this morning to a realization that it had been duped yesterday. Speculators consequently wore a somewhat ruffled aspect in all but that select inner circle which reaped the profits from the well organized plan to precipitate a bear panic. It was very noticeable that those who were loudest yesterday in the proclamation of a settlement alleged to have been arrived at between the United States and Spain, were no longer active bidders for stocks to-day, although they were credited with having parted with large holdings at the high level yesterday. The short interest having been largely eliminated by yesterday's forceful press the market was without material support and prices promptly dropped off from about one per cent. to upwards of two per cent in the opening sales.

Closing prices: A. C. O., 16½; Am. Tob., 97¾; Sug., 105⅝; pfd., 106; Am. Spirits pfd., 16⅞; Atch., 11¼; pfd., 25⅝; B. & O., 16½; B. S. G., 2¾; C. P., 82¼; Can. Sou., 47⅜; C. & O., 19; C. B. & Q., 91⅞; Ch. Gas, 91¼; C. & N. W., 117⅞; C. R. I. & P., 95¼; C. M. & St. P., 88¾; Con. Gas, 178; C. C. C. & St. L., 26½; G. E., 32½; J. C., 92; Laclede Gas, Com. 41; Man. Elev., 97¼; Mo. Pac., 26; M. C., 104¼; Nat. Lead, 29½; do. pfd., 62; N. Y. C. & H., 110; N. Y. L. E. & W., pfd., 33¾; N. Y. O. & W., 13½; Pac. Mail, 25¼; Rdg., 16⅝; Pullman, 173; Sou. Ry., 7¾; do. pfd., 26⅛; T. C. & I., 20¼; Tex. Pac., 10⅛; U. S. Leather com., 5⅞; do. pfd., 57; U. S. Rubber, 17; do pfd., 66; U. P. receipts, 19; Wabash pfd., 15⅜; W. U., 86½; Met., 136½; Rapid Transit 38⅝.

Com. Cable, in Montreal, 169½; C. P. R., in London, 79.

Bar silver, 55½c.; Mexican dollars, 45c.; silver certificates, 55½@56½c.

NEW ENGLAND.

D. R. Davies, San Francisco.
Miss C. Cleveland, New York.
Miss M. Bridges, New York.
J. C. Marr, Washington, D.C.
J. H. Hampson, Washington, D.C.
A. H. Proctor, New York.
J. Macaulay, Vancouver.
M. T. Johnson, City.
W H Hayward, Dawson.
C. C. Eldridge, Vancouver.
A. Prescott, Vancouver.
H. A. Collins, Chicago, Ill.

VICTORIA.

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C. Butler, wife and son, Port Townsend.
P. Beneton, Duluth.
J. Callangar, Toronto.
T. Castello, Kingston.
S. H. Gibson, Michigan.
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D. A. McKay, Winnipeg.
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Steve Maley.
J. Mitchell.
W. H. Hatter.
W. H. Wilson.
J. R. Taylor.
H. McKay, Winnipeg.
S. W. Sharpe, California.

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Nell Darough, Hillon, Man.
W. G. Harvey, Oak River, Man.
T. M. Sulnn, Oak River, Man.
H. Deuctton, Oak River, Man.
A. A. McCormick, Vancouver.
J. Oliver, Toronto.
G. Glattstein, Chicago, Ill.
E. C. Chalfant, Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. Cantrell, St. Louis.
W. S. Renwick, Kerwick.
J. Beer, City.

The schooner Gladys, which passed out of Digby on March 16 loaded with piling, has been found bottom up ten miles off Digby. It is supposed her crew of six were drowned.

Rev. Thos. Wilson, pastor of King street Presbyterian church, London, has decided to resign his charge, owing to difference of opinion with his congregation.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Two Earls Pay the Tribute—Anton Seidl, the Musical Director, Passes Away.

London, March 29.—The Earl of Stafford is dead.

John Frederick Vaughan Campbell, second Earl of Cawdor, is dead, aged 81.

New York, March 28.—Anton Seidl, the musical director, died to-night of poisoning, probably from having eaten tainted fish.

Montreal, March 28.—Mrs. Robert Kerr, aged about sixty, whose husband is a member of the firm of F. & W. Kerr, bicycle and stove dealers, was fatally burned yesterday, her dress catching fire while she was lighting a gas stove.

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FOUND—Black and white dog, owner can have him by paying expenses. Apply Vancouver Hotel. m30

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LOST—Seal tooth broach between Pandora and Yates streets on Monday morning. Finder will confer a favor by returning it to 164 Pandora street. m30

FOR SALE—Ten tons good potatoes delivered in Victoria in small lots to suit purchasers. Hotels and steamers supplied. H. Macklin, Galiano, B.C. m30

WANTED—By a person of experience situation as house keeper. Address House Keeper, Colonist office. m30

WANTED—Girl to do light house work. Apply at 40 Pandora street. 30m

BOOKKEEPER and stenographer from Toronto desires situation, six years experience, best references. Robert E. Keys, 45½ View street. 30m

TO RENT—Two houses of five rooms on Dallas road, cheap to right parties. Apply 18 Erie street, James Bay. 30m

WANTED—A nurse girl for one child. Apply 130 Cadboro Bay road. 30m

FOR SALE—15 acres, near the city, under good cultivation, never failing stream; builing in good condition. Enquire 36 Douglas street. 30m

LOST—Black and tan collie with white around neck and front, very long hair. Missed since March 20, belonging to Mr. James Todd, sr., Cedar Hill. Anyone found harboring same after date will be prosecuted. James Todd, Cedar Hill. 30m

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FUNERAL NOTICE.

The members of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society are hereby notified to attend the funeral of our late brother, John Robertson, meeting at I.O.O.F. Hall, Douglas street, to-day at 2 p.m.

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WANTED—A good girl for general housework in family of four. Apply to Mrs. Carthew, 262 Yates street. m26

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YOUNG MAN wants situation in store, warehouse, butcher business, or any steady kind of business; experienced. Address W.G., Colonist office. m25

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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MINING & INSURANCE CO'S are advised to be careful that they have their ledgers, debentures, etc. made on first-class paper, that will not crack or go to pieces while lying in the vault, or from usage as a great deal of that which is in the market will do. Avoid this danger by using "Superfine Linen Record," (water mark in each sheet) Guaranteed the strongest and toughest pure linen bond and ledger paper made. THE ROLAND PAPER CO., manufacturers, Montreal. m16

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LOST—From the Pacific Transfer stable, a large brown dog, a little white around the neck. Anybody returning the same to the Grand Pacific hotel will be liberally rewarded; anybody harboring the same after this notice will be prosecuted. f27

FOUND—A bicycle; on Broad street on Sunday morning. The owner can have same on proving property and paying expenses. Apply to Constable McDonald, police station. m29

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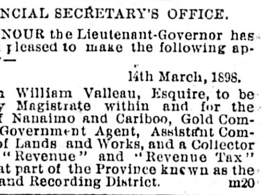

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment:—

14th March, 1898.

Frederich William Valleau, Esquire, to be Stipendiary Magistrate within and for the Counties of Nanaimo and Cariboo, Gold Commissioner, Government Agent, Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works, and a Collector under the "Revenue" and "Revenue Tax" Acts for that part of the Province known as the Omineca Land Recording District. m20

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A Drunken Carpenter Attacks the Mate of the "Cleveland."

Latest Instances of Lawlessness at the Lynn Canal Neighborhood.

Two shooting affrays and two fights that sent the participants to the hospital just before the City of Seattle sailed, testify to the fact that Skagway is not yet a model town. This was on the night of the 24th, while 48 hours before a fracas had occurred on board the steamship Cleveland, while laying at the People's wharf, resulting in so serious injury to First Officer Sears that some of the Seattle's people declare he has since died.

John Spencer, the ship's carpenter, had been continually drunk from the time the steamer left Seattle, and on the way up had had several quarrels with his officers and messmates. On the evening of the 22nd he became involved in a dispute with Archie Sears, the first officer, over some trivial matter, and was told that he must sober up and keep sober, or leave the ship. He went immediately to Captain Hall and demanded the few dollars due him, the captain putting him off on noting his condition.

Spencer then applied to Judge Ostrander for a libel against the ship, the case being appraised at its true value, however, and the application denied. From the judge's office the carpenter returned to the ship, vowing vengeance, and at once renewed his quarrel with the first officer. The climax came very quickly, Spencer seizing a heavy ship hammer—an instrument very like an adze—and with it striking Sears on the head, inflicting a terrible wound and crushing in the skull.

He was disarmed by the members of the crew, taken into custody by Marshal Staley, and lodged in jail to await trial. Poor Sears was taken to St. Ann's hospital, where on the 23rd Drs. Rogers and Wyman performed an operation which was looked upon as a "forlorn hope." H. T. Ferguson, of Portland, who came down on the Seattle, says that he called on the 24th to inquire how the patient was doing, and was told that he had just died. Whether this report was or was not correct the officers of the Seattle cannot say.

Another example of Skagway lawlessness developed early Friday morning, when Harry McCarthy, a 'longshoreman, was mysteriously shot and fatally wounded, by a Portland prizefighter known as Ryan, who was promptly jailed. The trouble in this instance arose over a card game at the Mondamin, in which the 'longshoreman is said to have played crooked. Five shots were exchanged, three of which came from Ryan's gun. McCarthy received one bullet in the groin and a second in the knee.

Still a third serious scrap followed a few minutes later, Harry Kaplan, a new arrival, being accosted at the People's theatre by a woman known as Maggie, whom he declined to accompany. She immediately attacked him, and calling an ex-convict friend, Willians, alias Crosby, to her assistance, the pair maltreated the stranger unmercifully. Williams is now a prisoner, having been arrested by Marshal—formerly Detective—Cudihee.

THE "STRANGER" ENTERTAINS.

Hoyt Sends His First Original Company to British Columbia In One of His Latest Comedies.

Those who witnessed the first of Hoyt's original productions to be presented in this city, "A Stranger in New York," which was seen at the Victoria last night will join in the fervent hope that others will follow soon. The play was funnier than a lecture on temperance by Phil Chalk, and the company has not a weak or ineffectual member in it. In setting, costuming, and in fact every detail, last evening's performance was admirable and most satisfying to all save the dyspeptic who did not want to enjoy themselves.

The story of "A Stranger in New York" lacks the wild improbability that is generally the blackbone of modern comedy-farce; it is a good, substantial frame work with rather more in it than is usual for a Hoyt show. And it offers illimitable opportunities for fun, all of which are accepted. The result is one continued laugh, with a reason for it. Further, the comedy has a moral that is excellent—it shows how the entertainment of the stranger, according to biblical injunction, sometimes produces its excellent reward for the entertainers. In dialogue, business, catchy songs and pretty dances, the play all through is a gem.

Mr. Joseph Coyle is the resourceful and fortunate "stranger" and a star in the part; Miss Anna Boyd is "Hattie," the fair divorcee and the "best fellow of them all"; Miss Camille Cleveland had an unpopular part as the female spy, but does the work required of her in a conscientious manner and artistically; while the Misses Muller and McCoy do decidedly clever dancing. Miss Muller had the mishap to slip on a trapdoor at the conclusion of her dance, but changed apparent confusion into a little triumph. Miss Minnie Bridge is the only lady of the company who dons tights for the mask ball—and has the best of excuses for so doing. Mr. Harry Rogers is a thoroughly good actor as the genuine I. Collier Downe—and there are others who are equally talented.

It was a treat to see such a company in such a fun-maker—and luckily still another of the Hoyt companies follows soon—the celebrated "Texas Steer."

Mahara's well-known minstrels will be at the Victoria theatre to-morrow night. Included in the company are such artists as Billy Young and Chas Cass, whose appearance is a guarantee of something real funny. Another on the list is Leroy Bland, a male soprano possessed of a voice of wonderful sweetness of tone and a phenomenal compass. Rube Brown, the cleverest of dancers and Master Hillard Brewer are also in the company. The programme all through varies slightly from the ordinary minstrelsy, and the variation is calculated to make the show more pleasing. *

THE ISLANDER RETURNS.

C.P.N. Flagship Completes a Fast Run From the North—New Quartz Discoveries.

The steamer Islander, in command of Commodore Irving, reached Victoria from the North at 1 o'clock this morning, having made two lengthy stoppages on the home run, one at Nanaimo for coal and one at Port Simpson. She had several interesting "brushes" with the City of Seattle on her way down and those on the C.P.N. flagship declare that the Seattle could not begin to hold her own with the Canadian craft when all the latter's machinery was in use.

Capt. Irving says he experienced no trouble whatever with the customs officers at Skagway, but on the other hand they treated him with every courtesy. On the voyage home the passengers presented him with a testimonial, which is but one of many such documents the genial skipper has of late received. The Islander's complete list of passengers is as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Fracketon, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Troy, Mrs. Denin, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. J. Flewin, Mr. and Mrs. McInnis, Mrs. Watts, A. F. Smith, J. Sallaboy, E. J. Elkins, W. Gensham, J. Moham, O. Klongerfert, W. Jacobs, W. McLennan, H. Frank, L. Wymans, D. Reese, J. Lawson, W. Blaret, A. Heller, M. Thomas, V. A. Blongray, E. Markel, D. V. Balmer, Ruplet, O. Murray, E. Hines, Ransford, P. S. Cook, R. McVeigh, R. Gunelle, J. Burns, J. Porter, J. Leahy, J. J. Dewatch, J. Shepherd, F. Holden, R. Dreyfus.

One of the passengers, who debarked at Nanaimo, is the discoverer of some valuable quartz property.

Theo. R. Needham, proprietor of the Stikine River Journal, was one of the arrivals on the Islander.

THE THISTLES COMING.

Nanaimo Footballers Will Be Here on Saturday for the Final Intermediate Match.

Nanaimo has notified the Y.M.C.A club that the Thistles will be down on Saturday next to do battle in the final game for the Intermediate cup. Having won at the Coal City two weeks ago, defeating Victoria 4 to 2, the Thistles hope to win this game and thus earn the right to call themselves champions of British Columbia. Victoria on the other hand is determined to make the requisite two points on this game, in which event the two teams will be tie and a final will have to be played later on. The game will take place at the Caledonia grounds, commencing at half-two.

The Nanaimo team is the same as that which played in the last game and is composed of: Goal, T. Aitken; backs, Smith and Williams; half-backs, Hallaran, Freeman (Capt.), and Wilkinson; forwards, right wing, J. Wilkinson and Calligan; left wing, Adam and Challon; centre, Booth. The Y.M.C.A. team will be picked by the executive of the club, which will meet for that purpose on Thursday evening at half-past seven sharp. All members of the club should attend for practice this evening at six o'clok.

BASKET BALL.

The final game in the basket ball league series will be played between No. 2 and No. 3 companies at the drill hall to-night. The teams will be as follows: No. 3—Hall, Whitelaw, Austin, Lorimer, Cartmel, Fork, Hibben and Futcher. No. 2—Patton, Scholefield, Northcott, Daniels, Robers, Tuck and Winsby.

The Swifts and Wasks will meet at the Y.M.C.A. rooms on next Monday night at 8 o'clock to wind up the season's business. All members are requested to attend.

HOCKEY MATCH.

Consederable interest is being already taken in the game of hockey to take place between the Vancouver and Victoria teams on the Oak Bay grounds next Saturday afternoon. The teams are so evenly matched that in the two previous games the result was a tie each time. A good deal of practice has been put in on both sides since then and as the grounds are in perfect condition as good game is looked forward to. The Victoria team will be composed as follows: Goal R. H. Swinerton; full backs, A. G. Smith (Capt.), A. M. McLean; half backs G. H. Austin, W. E. Hodges, F. A. Futcher; forwards, B. Pender, K. Schofield; C. E. Wilson, T. P. Patton, G. C. Johnston.

The game will be commenced sharp at 3 p.m.

The return and last match of the season will be played in Vancouver a week later.

LACROSSE.

The lacrosse enthusiasts of the city have already begun to organize for the season's play. A meeting was to have taken place in the Y.M.C.A. rooms last night, but owing to the shortness of the notice given the attendance was not very large and the meeting was adjourned till next Friday night at the same place.

The Victoria Hunt club's steeplechase has been postponed from Easter Monday, April 11, to the following Saturday, April 16.

FROM CASSIAR.

Gold Commissioner James Porter Reaches Victoria by the Islander.

James Porter, gold commissioner for Cassiar who arrived on the Islander last night, is visiting Victoria for the first time in seven years. He started from Laketon on March 7 and he and Mr. J. Seely starting from Glenora on March 16 were five days in reaching Wrangel. They came across some of McKenzie & Mann's heavy teams sixty miles up the river and later heard from an Indian who got to Wrangel on the 24th after a four days' trip from Telegraph Creek that two or three single horse sleighs had reached Telegraph on the 20th, the day he started. The weather at Wrangel and on the river, Mr. Porter says, has been quite cold lately and consequently the travelling on the Stikine was good.

Mr. Porter reports a mild winter in Cassiar. A good many quartz claims have been staked out and just before he left Glenora he recorded a claim for a prospector. A good deal of placer and hydraulic leases have been taken out during the past few months and Mr. Porter thinks that mining will be very lively in that portion of the province during the coming season.

By City of Puebla from San Francisco—Edwin Regal, N H Scaff and wife, N Ray and wife, W Schalo and wife Mrs K Baker, Miss D Brow, G C Lake, W A Reberg, W J Lent, Mrs K L Johnson, Mrs E A Mosher, Mrs McDonald, W Marble, F McMurtry, C E Bunnell, W H Hallosk, Miss M Greenwold, J R Meyer, F Parker, H B Smith, Mrs Patterson, J W Tamer, M T Smith, Mrs Patterson, J W Tamer, M T Springer, M Marlett Mrs M F Chubbuck, Mrs M C Bunce, Miss E Berlt, P Lynch, wife and child, J Cusick, B W Swan, T A Curtis, J Lavince, Mrs Gaskin, Miss C Martin, Mis E Martin, C W Burges, G Gherets O B Fisher, Mrs C W Burgess, Mrs Frisbie, G Read, H Pierce, G Earnest, M Kretching, Mrs Mansfield and daughter, Mr J C Darling, H A Ross, J C Darling, Mr Gregory and wife, Mrs Millmore, P E Palmquist, F Christopher, J O Beaty, W B Wolcook, John Baden.

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ENGLAND IN AFRICA.

(Salt Lake City Tribune.)

The British never quit. They have started in to own a line of country from the Mediterranean to Good Hope, which will include all worth taking in Central Africa. One expedition is pressing up the Nile, and Cecil Rhodes is busy in the far South. This This news comes from him: "Mr. Cecil Rhodes has now got his great African telegraph line working from Cape Town to Tete, on the Zambesi, and the poles up as far as Lake Nyassa. That brings him within a thousand miles of Uganda. The Sirdar is about to move on to Khartoum, carrying a telegraph line with him. Another year, therefore, may easily see an unbroken line in working order from the Delta to the Cape." The jungle is passing away, the wild beast is making a new lair, and the whistle of the locomotive disturbs his rest; savage men look on dumb with wonder at what is going on around him, and when the electric spark begins to carry thoughts all the long length of Africa, it will cease forever to be "the Dark Continent."

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

Mrs. Mary Low Dickenson, editor of The Silver Cross, the official organ of the International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons, and general secretary of the order, has sent out an appeal for aid for the suffering women and children of Cuba, and the order has opened workrooms at 17 Astor place, where expert cutters and sewers are busily employed in making summer clothing for the poverty-stricken people. A quantity of cotton goods, ginghams, etc., has been donated by dry goods dealers, but the supply is pitifully small in comparson with the demand. Contributions of new or old summer clothing or, better still, materials are asked for.

The relief committee thinks that the great suffering only needs to be understood to secure prompt and warmhearted response.

Every woman is appealed to to do what she can by sending summer clothing or materials for making it to the committee, at 17 Astor place. All railroads connected with the Joint Traffic Associaton will carry bundles thus addressed free of charge.

Dainty handkerchiefs are of black cambric, delicately frilled with white lace, or edged with a blanket stitching in white.

The woman who haunts the shops for business, pleasure, or merely on principle, is weary already of organdies and silks. The mere sight of mousseline makes her head ache and the rainbow colors of foulards and grenadines give her, as she says, "optical indigestion." But she has got to go right on to the bitter end, and peer and plan and buy until her summer wardrobe is complete.

Of silks and organdies we talked last week. There are alluring grenadines, bordered voiles, silk poplins, so soft and supple one could draw them through a wedding-ring, and all the square-patterned gauzes which need silk lining; so that economy is out of the question, for in ordering one dress one must perforce order two. Among the most original of these fabrics—which is odd and pretty enough to be extensively worn—is a pure canvas, with a strong, resisting thread, but rendered bright and brilliant by a double silk check about an inch in width thrown on it; while on gray, or pink, or blue, light blue on fawn color, and the most delicate shade of green on heliotrope.

The choice in open gauze checks is large, and colors are as old-timey as fabrics and fashions. Aesthetic hues are to be put away with big sleeves and plain skirts, and the soft, fading "greenery, yallery Grosvenor Gallery" tints will not be worn even by the long, lean, intense beauties who frequent posters and literary teas.

In a few weeks we shall be arraying ourselves in black and colored gauzes of minute checks, and in stuffs of the nature of black grenadine, with bold basket work checks of vivid coloring having a satin-like effect, emerald-green, mauve, and cherry color, all figured on black grounds.

Grenadine, while not inexpensive, is economical for steady wear, as it always looks well and keeps fresh forever. It is forty-eight inches wide, so the high price asked for fine quality is not so exorbitant after all. The colorings are quaint—a sort of light sea-green, petunia, violet or brown, old-time lavender and apricot.

In a week or two many of the attractive and toothsome vegetables and fruits will be in market, and beautiful dishes are shown worthy to serve them in. Asparagus plates of palest green, with light touches of gilt around the edges, are new and dainty. Corn sets consist of long, slender patterns with plates to match, in an Indian corn pattern. Salad bowls in the form of lettuce or of cabbage leaves fastened together by tiny brown twigs are delightfully odd and summery.

Salad sets in the form of geranium leaves in clouded browns, shading into bright red and overlaid with sprays of pink and scarlet flowers are artistic and pretty.

Solid colors in torquoise blue and Du Barri pink, with a wide rim of gold and apple-green are all seen in fine china. Ornamental bands are delicately engraved with small designs.

Low, broad vegetable dishes, and round instead of oval platters are seen. Ribbon decorations, where the handles reproduce twisted ribbons in pale colors, are especially noticed.

Mantles made like old-fashioned pelisses, but far more graceful and becoming, will be seen when the Lenten woman blooms out in her spring plumage. Most of these pretty wraps are made quite full and short on the shoulders, describing a point to the waist in the back and having long, stole-like fronts, which fall to the knees.

A charming one of black taffeta under black Brussels net was ruffled at intervals of an inch or two, with the net edged with narrow black velvet. The edge was quilled with black satin ribbon and the stole fronts were spangled lightly with jet. Some of these wraps, instead of the stole fronts, have a jabot of chiffon or lace caught in at the waist or just above with a jewelled slide, from which depends plaited tulle or lace.

AGAINST AMERICAN APPLES.

Cider Making Industry in Germany Demands That They be Excluded Instead of Inspected.

Berlin, March 29.—During the discussion of the agricultural estimates in the lower house of the diet to-day Herr Knobel, national Liberal, asked that more stringent regulations be enforced for the exclusion of the San Jose scale. In doing so Herr Knobel said: The cider manufacturers' interest demanded the complete prohibition of the import of American apples. It would be impossible to avoid eventually such a prohibition. The industry was in such a flourishing condition that the moment was particularly favorable. Moreover he insisted the complete exclusion of American apples would be less burdensome than the present costly examination at the entry ports.

The Minister of Agriculture in reply said if a more stringent provision was found necessary he would make further recommendations to the imperial government. The announcement was greeted with applause.

PERSONAL.

R. Williams left yesterday morning for Seattle on a business trip.

Captain Whiteley, one of the best known sealing skippers of the port, is seriously ill with appendicitis at the Jubillee hospital.

H. M. Charleton, wife and family, have arrived from Brooklyn, N. Y., and are guests at the Hotel Wilson. The purpose taking up their residence on the Coast.

I. F. Belfrey, of Toronto, father of Mr. A. E. Belfrey, of this city, has been visiting his son during the past week, and it is quite possible may become a permanent resident.

Rev. J. Jensen, a Danish clergyman of Tacoma, Wash., accompanied by his wife and family, are in the city registered at the Dominion. Rev. Mr. Jensen is on his way to the Cape Scott Danish settlement and is in charge of another party of settlers gathered from different parts of the State of Washington.

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Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	A.M. 9:00	P.M. 4:00
Ar. Nanaimo	11:20	7:16
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The public will wait with great interest the presentation of the plans which the government have formed for advancing the development of the province. We are satisfied that any well-considered proposition will be well received. Last year's railway policy will bring forth good results. We have every expectation that every mile of road then subsidized will be constructed and if so, that single piece of legislation will mean more for the province than anything that has been put upon the statute book in a long time.

Steps must be taken to open this province. We do not half know its resources. Every day a cry goes up that Kootenay is the milch cow of British Columbia, which means that this exceedingly prosperous and progressive portion of the province is contributing very largely to the revenue. But what is Kootenay in comparison to the remainder of the province? We mean in point the whole, aind although its wealth and the whole, and although is wealth and possibilities are of the highest order, no one can undertake to say that it cannot be reduated over and over again within the limits of our imperial domain. But Kootenay itself is not half developed or anything like it. Open the district as it needs to be opened with highways and byways for traffic, and its wealth and its contributions to the revenue of the province will expand by leaps and bounds. This is one of the arguments for provincial development. It is not the only argument, because it would pay to expend largely in extending transportation facilities to all parts of the province on account of the indirect benefits that would accrue to the people; but all persons do not take this view of things, and those who do not require to have some assurance that the proposed expenditures will pay the country directly, that is, that what they cost will be paid back again in the way of revenue. The example of Kootenay shows that we may expect just such a result, if a wise and liberal system of development is begun. Highways and railways cost money, and built through a productive country they will pay back all they cost.

The Colonist is prepared to consider in the most favorable spirit any plan that shall be proposed for opening the province to the enterprise of the world. We have a domain which will richly repay investment, but we cannot expect capitalists to have confidence in the country if we have none in it ourselves. The only way in which this confidence can be shown is by pledging the public credit to those works which will render it possible to exploit the wealth of the province. If this is not done progress will be slow; if it is done, there is every reason to think that the advance will be rapid.

THE ROUTE TO THE YUKON.

Captain John Irving telegraphs to the Colonist that the Stikine river is all right and that people are going up in fine shape. We make this matter as public as possible and invite the closest attention to it, because the Colonist has from the first advocated the use of the Stikine for winter transportation with horses. This paper has maintained that, unless conditions were altogether exceptional, it would be possible to open and keep open during the winter a road on the ice over which goods and passengers could be safely transported to Telegraph Creek. This idea has been ridiculed in certain quarters and has been an object of attack from every enemy of Victoria. The Colonist has also insisted that a good road could be made and kept open between Telegraph Creek and Lake Teslin, so that it would be possible during the winter to keep up constant communication between the mouth of the river and the lake. The facts show that this view was wholly correct. It is true that for a time in the early part of this month even the most sanguine believers in the feasibility of the proposed plan feared that for this season it would be impracticable, but this has proved not to be the case and to-day the only route into the Yukon valley is that via the much maligned Stikine. To-day it is possible to get aboard a sleigh and drive through to Teslin Lake on a good snow road.

The vindication of the Colonist's position in this matter is, however, a matter of minor importance, for it is of purely personal interest whether or not any writer is correct in the views he takes upon any particular subject. The value of the demonstrated fact lies in the bearing it has upon the future of the Yukon transportation problem. One of the objections taken to the construction of a railway from Glenora to Teslin Lake has been that the road would be cut off from all connection with the seaboard. This will no longer hold good. It is clear now that unless the winter is exceptionally mild it will be possible for a considerable portion of the winter to keep a snow road open over the ice. We submit also that there is reason to believe that by pursuing the plan indicated in a recent issue of the Colonist, that is by working down from Glenora instead of up from the mouth of the river, it will be possible to make a winter road that will be available for the greater part of the season. This statement is made from some knowledge of the conditions under which the snow roads are made. If this view is correct, then during the season of navigation, that is for seven months, and doubtless for three months more, Glenora will be accessible from the sea coast.

The fact that a good road has been opened over the snow from Telegraph Creek to Teslin Lake supports another proposition advanced by this paper, namely, that when the railway has been constructed it will be possible to maintain connection down the lake and the Hootalinqua river to Yukon points. We do not know how far down the Yukon river it would be possible to keep such a road open during the winter, but believe the only question is as to food and shelter, and that if these are provided a stage line can be kept going all winter to Dawson City.

This is a subject of very great importance, or it will be of very great importance next winter provided the railway is built. It will be of even greater importance if the railway is not built. If there is to be a railway, private enterprise may be trusted to see that the necessary transportation facilities are established, but if there is to be no railway, it will be the duty of the Dominion government to see to the establishment of shelters and depots between Glenora and Teslin Lake and as much further as is found feasible. In view of what has been demonstrated, it will be little short of criminal if another season is allowed to pass without means of communication being established between the coast at Wrangel and points on the Yukon river.

THE KETTLE RIVER RAILWAY.

The Minister of Railways said in committee that, if Mr. Corbin gets his railway charter to build into Boundary Creek, he would propose an amendment that would make it impossible for ore to be taken out of the province for treatment. He intimated that this could take the form of an export duty, and he seems to have been of the opinion that this and the duty on imports would be a pretty safe guarantee that trade would not be taken away from Canada by the proposed railway. It of course matters little to merchants, manufacturers and farmers of Canada who carries what they have to sell into other parts of the Dominion, although, other things being equal, it is to the advantage of every one in Canada that Canadian transportation lines shall have the carying trade of the country. But when this is said all has not been said. We want the trade of the Boundary Creek country for British Columbia, and while it may be perfectly true that Eastern merchants can ship in their goods to Boundary Creek over American lines, British Columbia will be almost wholly cut off unless a competing line is built down from the North.

We do not dissent from Mr. Blair's proposition that there is no implied agreement that lines shall not be built from the United States to compete with the Canadian Pacific or any other domestic railway; but we take the position that when Canadian roads are reaching out for the trade of a district, it is right that they should not be blocked by permission being extended to an American line to get first on the ground. The Colonist is not disposed to take a narrow view of railway competition. It realizes how very important competition may be to a community, but it is not so clear that the way to secure competition for the Boundary Creek country is to allow an American road to get in first. We have seen how Mr. Corbin got his hands upon the traffic of Rossland, Trail and the country thereabouts and how difficult it has been to secure a competing line. Only by the payment of a large subsidy was the Dominion able to bring about the construction of a line to recover a portion of the trade which has been diverted by the road from Spokane. The country seems about to be placed in a very different position as regards Boundary Creek. There is an excellent chance that Canadian roads will be built this year, and all that the majority of the people of British Columbia ask is that a railway having as direct a communication as possible with British Columbia cities shall be given the preference over one that will be tributary and make the Boundary Creek district tributary chiefly to Spokane.

Those persons who know how the city just named sprang into new life after the opening of the Trail Creek district, will appreciate what our cities will lose if the trade of the new region is diverted from this province. Mr. Blair's argument, based on the proposed export duty on ore and the import duty on merchandise, is specious but it is not sound. If he proposes so to curtail the operations of Mr. Corbin's railway that it cannot haul ore out of the country, and if the duty is to prevent any one from sending American goods in, we would like to know why Mr. Corbin will want to build any road at all. We repeat what we have said in former articles. We are not opposed to railway competition from the South, but we do not think it would be wise policy to permit an American road to head off Canadian lines in competition for the trade of the district in question. Give the Canadian roads the first chance and if, after that, Mr. Corbin wants to build, by all means let him do so.

The time-worn claim that in asking the house to vote liberal sums for public works, the government is seeking to bribe the voters with their own money, was justly characterized by the Premier as an insult to the intelligence of the country. It might with equal truth be said that a government by seeking to do what is right by the province is seeking to bribe the electorate by discharging its duty. We believe this sort of thing will be resented by the constituencies. The people are not all fools nor are a majority of them fools. They have not had so many illustrations of superior wisdom on the part of the opposition that they will view with complacency the statement that they are to be bought by liberal appropriations. No one claims that a single one of the votes asked for public works is not needed for the public benefit. No one can put his finger upon a single appropriation under this head and say that it should not have been included in the estimates. If the opposition can point out any such item, why do not they do so. If there is any specific amount which ought not to be asked from the house and the presence of which in the estimates can be explained with any show of reason by the claim that it has been put there for the purpose of purchasing the vote of any section of the province, let the men who think so come forward manfully and name it. If they do this the public will then know how sincere they are, and also have some means of judging their views of what the country needs in the way of expenditure. We tell the opposition that this session least of all can they honorably refrain from specific allegations, if they have any to make. They will be before the electors in a few months. Let them tell the electors now what sums they believe the government is asking in order that the votes of a district may be bought by the people's own money. Let them take any discredit. Which of the items for Kootenay, which of the items for Alberni, which of the items for Cariboo have been put into the estimates for the purpose of buying the voters with their own money. We think some explanation is needed from the left of Mr. Speaker on this point.

Russia announces that in occupying Port Arthur and Talienwan she does so with the most friendly feeling towards other powers and that all comers will be welcome to take part in the trade that will centre there. This sounds very well, as also does the assurance that the ports will only be occupied for twenty-five years, but the world may as well face the facts first as last. If Russia keeps these ports she will keep them forever and her territory will be permanently extended to the Yellow Sea. We regard the situation as an extremely critical one. It does not follow that war will come out of it; but Russia with a railway terminus on the Yellow Sea is quite a different proposition to Russia with no port south of Vladivostock. How Japan will regard such an arrangement we cannot say. It seems full of menace to that country. There is no doubt that the construction of the Siberian railway to Port Arthur and the railway connections with interior China, that will follow as a matter of course, will have a very stimulating effect upon commerce.

Mr. Sword is a pleasant mannered gentleman with a fondness for figures. He takes a positive delight in talking about millions, and percentage, and brokerage, and commissions and things like that. He loves to add, subtract, multiply and divide. To him a row of figures with a $ at the end possesses ten times as much attraction as Hogarth's line of beauty. Of course it would be an easy matter for Mr. Sword to take his figures, group them in some other way and prove quite the reverse of what he argues now; but at present he is engaged in manipulating units, tens and thousands to show up deficits and extravagance. If he would take the other side of the question he could make even a better showing.

Great Britain's share of China in the new deal is said to be 10,000 square miles. That will do for a beginning. The conditions over that 10,000 square miles, if the report is true, will soon be so different to that of other parts of China that the adjoining semi-independent mandarinates will seek British control. In the consideration of all Chinese questions we must not lose sight of the fact that the tie between the provinces and the imperial government is very weak and that there is no tie at all between the provinces themselves.

If the scenes in the United States senate to-day and the demonstrations in Spain are not immediately preliminary to war, then all signs fail. Between no other nations in the world could such a tension exist without hostilities following as a matter of course. The feeling of both countries is being worked up to efver heat. There is only one step further that can be taken and that is to begin fighting. One country or the other must back down if war is to be avoided now.

Whether or not it is true that American lobbyists have succeeded in working the Canadian senate up to not know, but of this we are certain, that if the measure is thrown out there will be rejoicing in every city that has been competing with British Columbia and other parts of Canada for the trade of the Yukon. If the measure is lost, the whole of this province will be in a state little short of despair unless the announcement is soon made of a measure that will ensure the construction of the railway.

A resolution has been introduced into the United States senate recognizing Cuban independence and declaring war against Spain. Another resolution simply declares for Cuban independence. Both these resolutions have gone to the committee on foreign relations. Many very bellicose proposals have died in that body, but we believe none has ever done so when it went quite as far as the first mentioned.

The Post-Intelligencer thinks it is to be regretted that the United States authorities have not taken care to see that the agreement with Canada as to the transit of goods at Skagway was carried out in good faith. The trouble is that the Washington authorities are almost powerless. Their officials are only in office for a short time and if they can make money will deliberately violate their instructions.

It is evident that a great deal of the repose of manner, with which our United States contemporaries are treating the Spanish question, is due to their utter inability to know what suggestions to make.

Somebody has been telling the Tacoma News that profanity and disorder prevailed in our legislature during a debate on the Corbin railway. Our contemporary is very far astray from the facts.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

His Idea—"Davy, what's the use of calendars?" "So's we won't miss the Fourth of July."—Puck.

Not Necessarily Cheerful!—Rye—He always sings at his work. Alto—What does he do? Rye—He's a vocalist.—New York Evening Journal.

Impure—Bacon—Is the water you get at your boarding-house pure? Egbert—No; there seems to be a lot of milk in it.—Yonkers Statesman.

Insinuative—She—I have had my picture taken once a year every year of my life. He—How did you manage before photography was invented?—London Judge.

Too Bad—She—It seemed so funny today to see young men in overcoats taking young ladies in to treat them to ice cream. He—Y-yes! Too bad I left my overcoat at home!—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Great Forehead—First Boy—My papa knows more than your papa does. Second Boy—I bet he doesn't. Did you ever see my papa? His forehead reaches down to the back of his head.—London Tit-Bits.

Wildness—"Halloa, old man! Have any luck shooting?" "I should say I did. Shot seventeen ducks in one day." "Were they wild?" "Well—no—not exactly; but the farmer who owned them was."—Illustrated London News.

What He Would Give—"Well," said the young man with the long hair, after the editor had handed him back his spring poem, "what would you be willing to give me for it?" "Oh, about ten years, if I could have my way," the discourager of genius replied.—Cleveland Leader.

A Blissful Supposition—"Mistuh Pinkley," said Miss Miami Brown, "does you know what a bird of paradise is?" "Well," was the reply, of co'se I doesn't know foh sure. But when I gets ter de nex' worl' I wouldn' be a bit supprize' to discuvuh dat it was a spring chicken."—Washington Star.

One Advantageous Feature—Anxious Mother—I think you should interefere, Edward. There is young Stumps sitting for the last half hour with Mabel, holding her hand. You know that he's not in a position to marry! Farther (complacently)—True; but let him hold her hand, Martha; it will keep her from the piano!—London Tit-Bits.

She (whirling around on the piano stool)—What a wretch that Nero must have been, to fiddle as they say he did. He—It was a mean thing to do, but let us be charitable. He might have made it even more disagreeable for the Romans by compelling one of the ladies of his household to play the piano.—Cleveland Leader.

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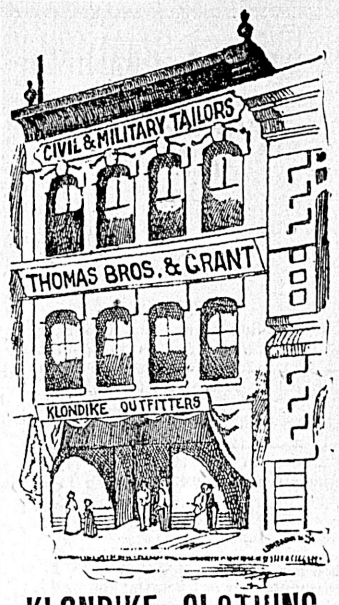

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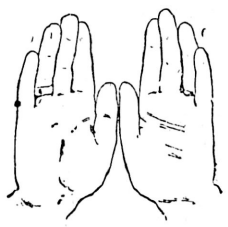

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Tony Jerryowich, the prisoner committed for trial by the police magistrate a few days ago, was before Justice Drake yesterday. He pleaded guilty to the offence of housebreaking and theft and was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment at hard labor. The prisoner is the man who entered a room in the Vernon house last week and stole a watch and some other articles belonging to Mr. A. Strazza. At the time of his arrest a pair of marine glasses were also found in his possession, which it has since been discovered were stolen from the New England. The prisoner has also been committed for trial on this charge.

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British Columbia Board of Trade on the Lead Duties—Aids to Navigation.

A meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon, when the committee appointed to consider the request of the Kaslo Board of Trade in regard to a petition to the government to put a prohibitive tariff on American lead ore and bullion, reported that they had been unable to hold a meeting and asked for further time. Mr. Ker, who made the report, gave it as his individual opinion that the suggestions placed before the committee by Mr. King on behalf of the people of Kaslo should be carried out.

Mr. Futcher did ot believe in further delay. It was an important matter and should be settled promptly. Petitions would certainly be going to the government from other places and Victoria should not be the last to act.

The following resolution, moved by Mr. Futcher and seconded by Mr. Ker, was accordingly carried:

"That the Dominion government be asked to place a scale of duties on lead ore and lead products similar to that imposed by the United States."

A letter from the Vancouver Board of Trade setting forth reasons why that organization opposed the Trades and Labor Council in their efforts to secure the appointment of a Dominion government inspector of boilers was received and filed, the Victoria Board of Trade having already approved of the opposition.

An invitation from the mayor and council of Bristol, Eng., for the members to attend a meeting of the Bristol association to be held there in September next was received. It was decided to request Mr. Robert Ward to act as Victoria's representative on the occasion.

A communication from the Montreal Board of Trade asking to have their request to the government to improve the harbor at Montreal was laid on the table.

Hon. E. G. Prior, M.P., informed the board that he had been advised by the department of marine and fisheries that the following lights would be placed on the British Columbia coast: Entrance to Vancouver, Bretchie's ledge, Sisters Islands, Ivory island, Soma passage, Egg island, Cape Mudge.

India Chutney's. Just received choice assortment Major Grey's from Calcutta at E. J. Saunders & Co. *

In the headlines of the sporting columns of last Sunday's Colonist it was announced that Dr. Carruthers had won the golf championship of the province. This was somewhat misleading as the Doctor had won the gentlemen's handicap and record only.

Marie Schneider, the woman who is accused of having robbed John Sandcox of $65 about a week ago is still indisposed and was unable to attend court yesterday morning. The magistrate adjourned the case till next Friday.

Some trouble has arisen between the crew and the master of the Peruvian bark Japan and with consent of the Peruvian consul at Vancouver and both sides of the dispute, Magistrate Macrae will attempt to adjust the differences at the police court this afternoon.

A. Miller and Julius Bushhorn, two of the Corona's passengers who lost their outfits in the wreck and were taken back to Seattle, arrived here yesterday morning. They have secured employment at the Union mines, where they will endeavor to earn enough money to enable them to make another start for the gold fields. This time they will leave from Victoria.

Blanch Myner was arrested yesterday morning on a charge of theft preferred by Saquel Maledo, a Spaniard employed on the steamer Amur. The case was brought before Magistrate Macrae, who, after hearing the evidence, discharged the prisoner. Maledo said that he went to the prisoner's house on Chatham street on Monday night and spent $5. He fell asleep and when he awoke all his money, amounting to $30, was gone. There was no one in the place but himself and the woman. The prisoner emphatically denied that she had taken the money. There were no other witnesses and the magistrate concluded that there was not enough evidence for conviction.

The Darktown's band parade is one of the promised novelties that the Mahara Brothers, who are to open at Victoria theatre for one night on Thursday next are to give. Advance reports are to the effect that this is one of the finest minstrel companies on the road. The comedy portion of their entertainment is handled by the well-known Billy Young and Charlie Cass, which is a guarantee that mirth will not be found wanting. *

A coroner's inquest on the body of the late John Robertson found floating in the water in the vicinity of the outer wharf on Monday night was held yesterday afternoon. The jurors were unable to reach any other conclusion than that the body was so found. They do not intimate in their verdict how the death might have occurred, but there seems to be no suspicion beyond accident. The deceased was a native of Scotland and was 62 years of age. He had been a resident of Victoria for some time and was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the two Scottish societies. The remains are at Hanna's undertaking rooms. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Leader of the Opposition States His Policy in the Debate on the Budget.

Aid Announced for Northern Trail from Quesnelle—Mr. Martin Answers Criticism.

Victoria, March 29.—The budget debate was continued in the legislature today and occupied both afternoon and evening. There were few spectators in the galleries and the proceedings were varied now and again by little interruptions by the opposing forces.

Mr. O. E. Kendall opened the house with prayer.

SPECIAL WARRANTS.

The Premier presented a return of expenditure by special warrants. It was, he explained, presented about a month earlier than last year.

THE BUDGET DEBATE.

Mr. Stoddart in resuming the budget debate expressed his satisraction at the business-like statement that the Premier had made of the provincial finances. He spoke approvingly of the reference to cold storage in the budget speech, and was quite sure that if such a system of cold storage was introduced it would be of great benefit to the stock growing districts. Turning to the conversion of the debt, Mr. Stodart held that it showed a saving of $25,000 to the province, and he defied the opposition to show differently. Next refering to the parliament buildings the member said that when the building was first voted he opposed the vote, but he had bowed to the decision of the majority of the house and was quite sure that the structure had been one of the most economically erected of any public building on the Pacific coast. Speaking of cheap money for farmers Mr. Stodart advised the government to be very careful how they dealt with this subject, for no matter what report the special committee brought in as to the success in other countries, conditions in British Columbia were quite different to what they were in New Zealand or Australia. The chief necessity in farming was that the farmer should be a practical man. Mr. Stoddart incidentally refered to the Water Clauses act and said that it might be beneficial to amend it somewhat so that mining enterprises could get as much water as they needed with as little expense as possible, in order that they might be assisted in developing the resources of the country. Replying to Mr. Kellie's remarks Mr. Stoddart taunted that gentleman with his political fickleness. Mr. Kellie had first taken a few years to satisfy himself that the government had a policy, and then had taken a few more to find out that the government had none. Had it not been for the appointment of a certain official in Kootenay Mr. Stoddart claimed that Mr. Kellie would not yet have discovered that the government did not have a policy. (Laughter.)

Mr. Stoddart felt that the government had pursued a sound business policy. In regard to the objections of the opposition on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard grant, Mr. Stoddart supported the government strongly, saying that he did not believe in repudiation and no other meaning could be taken out of the opposition arguments than that they favored repudiation. The railway policy of the government had been for the best interests of the province and the Shuswap & Okanagan, even if it did cost $40,000 a year, ran through one of the finest districts in the province and had enabled it to be opened up to immense advantage. The protection of the river banks at Revelstoke should have been done by the Dominion government, Mr. Stoddart claimed, for the province was a great source of revenue to the Dominion, and as business was business according to Mr. Tarte, let the opposition who had swallowed the Liberal platform get Mr. Tarte to fix the banks of the Columbia. Mr. Kellie had said the government were giving large grants to Nanaimo because they favored the coal barons—but how about the large grants that had been given to Vancouver and Westminster, where there were no coal barons? Besides was there not a coal baron in Nanaimo, a friend of the opposition who had gone from door to door during the election campaign trying to defeat the gentleman on his left (Mr. McGregor). The member from Westminster had said the tax on miners was not a just one, but as two-thirds of the men who worked in metalliferous mines were aliens, Mr. Stoddart wanted to know how it was possible to get any revenue out of them without such a tax. Aliens were in big luck to be allowed to mine here at all. If those men could do better across the line they would not be here at all.

The opposition complained about the expenditure exceeding the revenue but did any one of the opposition ever complain that his particular district was getting too much. Not at all—it was never half enough. (Laughter.) In closing, Mr. Stoddart said there was one thing he would like to see rectified. The mining recorder in his district was getting $4 a month more than the government agent and he thought the latter should receive a larger salary.

Mr. Vedder, who spoke at some length but was rather difficult to hear, defended cheap money for farmers and claimed that its adoption did not presuppose that farmers were improvident. He spoke against the parliament buildings, claiming that the money expended on them could have been better spent on roads and trails. Victoria, he maintained, had always been a greedy district for appropriations, but at one time, the island had had to beg to be admitted to union with the mainland and had not money enough to pay its civil servants. He charged the government with extravagance and with milking the Kootenay cow as Westminster district used to be milked. He spoke in favor of the Corbin road to Boundary and said the government generally had not fulfilled a tenth of its promises to Chilliwack or it still might have had a supporter from this district.

Mr. Smith thought that the government had acted in the best interests of the province. He would not be surprised after the remarks of the opposition if when they got into committee of supply some of them would ask to have the amounts set apart for their districts enlarged. (Laughter.) Turning to mining, Mr. Smith suggested that it would be a good thing to make promoters of stock companies pay a license. He produced the figures to refute the statement that Westminster and Nanaimo had not been properly dealt with because they were opposition districts. Westminster district last year had paid in altogether $73,232 to the provincial treasury and on the estimates the appropriations amounted to $130,689 or $57,457 more than paid in. Westminster district had paid in $17,285 and the estimates provided for $35,202 for that city, an excess of $18,017, while in Vancouver the total payments were $29,916 and the estimates provided for $42,142 or $12,726 more than paid in. In the face of this and of the dyking works and assistance to farmers could the members for Westminster district have the assurance to get up and say the government were treating them unjustly. Mr. Smith was not objecting to the expenditures but only wanted to show that the opposition did not give the government their just due. In his own district, Lillooet, a government constituency, showed a credit of $7,021 for the year's revenue as compared with the estimates. He spoke about the new mineral finds in the lower parts of his district and hoped it would be opened up by roads.

The subject of cheap money took up Mr. Smith's attention next and he did not see why the farmer should be singled out, while the laboring man who had a small holding in the city should not get the benefit of cheap money. Nor could he see why the mine owner should not be similarly favored. He took the view that to grant cheap money to farmers alone was an admission that the farmer was not a good manager.

In regard to the Mineral act Mr. Smith's opinion was that the mine laborer should not be obliged to get a free miner's certificate. That was his private view, but at a meeting of miners in January last at Lillooet he had brought up the question and the majority had shown themselves in favor of retaining the tax. The gentleman who sat down last had said that if the opposition was in power they would have government for the people and by the people, but when the opposition were last in power they muddled things up so much that they had to go to the Dominion to borrow money to carry on the affairs of the province. When the present government came into power the province could only borrow money at 7 per cent., now they could get it at 3 per cent.; was that not an indication that the affairs of the province were well carried out now? He did not know what Mr. Vedder's constituents would say when they knew that he favored the railway from the Boundary country into the United States, when last year the farmers of the Fraser valley were asking for a railway to give them a market in the Boundary Creek country. The opposition wanted to run the country, but they had not the proper certificates of character for the very people who elected them were wondering why the men they sent to the house did not carry out their constituents' views. For his part he thought the government had done well and at the next general election that the electors would show they had full confidence in the present administration.

The leader of the opposition, who spoke next, prefaced his remarks by saying that the government had withheld information from the house that had been asked for. Time would not allow him to deal with half the delinquincies of the government. The Premier had yesterday assured the house that the finances of the country were in good condition, but that assurance was not borne out by fact. The province would soon have a public debt of $9,000,000 or $10,000,000—too large a debt for the population. In view of this the government had cause for anything but congratulation. The Premier had yesterday spoken of the increase in public works. The opposition for years had insisted that the government were starving public works and expending the money in other directions. If therefore he could congratulate the government on anything it was on the increase on public works, following out the policy recommended always by the opposition. The estimates were framed in the interests of the coming election and on that account it was fortunate that an election did come every four years. In East Yale the estimates were very liberal indeed, the government evidently thought they had a fighting chance in the coming elections there.

Mr. Eberts—"Do you want them cut down?"

Mr. Semlin was only comparing that particular district and districts where the government evidently did not have hopes of winning. The estimate of $30,000 for a bridge over the Thompson was also he intimated to catch votes. In West Yale necessary bridges were not built—an unjust discrimination against a district represented by an opposition member. The Premier had referred to the great necessity for public works this season owing to the rush of people into the province. That was very true, but he found an item of $2,000 to improve the road between Quesnelle and Glenora. This, however, could not be touched till July 1, but he believed that there ought to be an expenditure on that road at once as there were hundreds of men now ready to go into that country.

The Premier—"It's in the supplementaries."

The protection of the river bank at Revelstoke was next touched on by Mr. Semlin and he urged the necessity of the work. The government had disclaimed responsibility for this taking the view that the work should be done by the Dominion. Mr. Semlin referred to some length to the correspondence in which the provincial government urged on the Dominion the necessity of carrying out the work. He argued that the Premier had at Revelstoke admitted that he had changed his mind and that the province should do the work.

Mr. Semlin claimed that at least the subsequent action of the government showed they had receded from their first position by agreeing to pay for a portion of the work.

There were a number of smaller matters he wished to speak of. One was the return regarding the Sayward mill, which showed the company still owing the workmen $1400 or $1,500. Last year the Premier had given him to understand that something might be done to have a settlement arrived at. When the government were dealing with a

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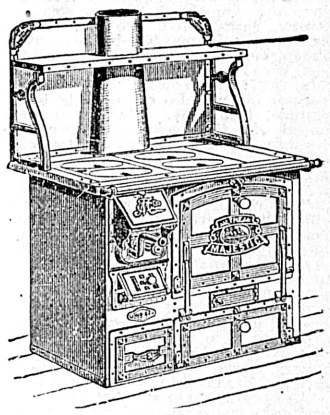

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The Steamer "Scotia" Has a Close Call in the Waters of the Taku Inlet.

"Hermosa" Breaks Her Shaft on Her Initial Trip—"South Coast" Reported Lost.

The early spring in the north, hailed with so great delight by the eager Klondiker, has set the iceberg fleet in motion sooner than usual. In consequence, while the journey to the Lynn Canal is invested with a new element of fascination and spectacular grandeur, shipmasters view with alarm the white flotilla as an added menace to the life of the small craft in the Klondike trade. According to Captain Roberts, of the City of Seattle, which has just completed the fastest round trip ever made between Victoria and the north, two steamers at least have already come to grief, while grave apprehension is expressed concerning others.

When the Seattle visited Juneau on Saturday morning last she found there the 133 ton Puget Sound steamer Scotia, which was being discharged in haste for the purpose of going on the beach to repair, and leaking badly the while. She had been up-bound, loaded to the guards and in charge of Captain Johnson, and had travelled on Friday afternoon past a procession of bergs. During the night, while in TaOku Inlet, she collided with one, despite a sharp look-out striking the silent mass of ice with such force that her stern fared badly. It may be days before she is able to proceed.

Later on Saturday, the Seattle passed the San Francisco steamer Hermosa, Trelethan master, which had come to grief while homeward bound and light, having completed her initial trip to the Lynn Canal. She had had the misfortune to break her shaft, and was anchored at Wrangel Narrows, awaiting the coming of an American tug to complete her interrupted trip. At Ketchican on Sunday it was learned that the steamer George W. Elder had been ashore on Mud Bank for twelve hours the previous day, but had got off unaided, and without injury.

At Ketchican, too, the Seattle's officers heard the rumors that the little steamer South Coast—another of Puget Sound's contribution to the coffin ship fleet—had been lost above, neither confirmation nor details being obtainable, although the storekeeper said that he had heard the little steamer had been crushed by an enormous berg. The South Coast was a housed-in, wooden steamer of fair size, and left the Sound, upbound, something more than a week ago.

The City of Seattle saw nothing and heard nothing of the Utopia, which left Seattle heavily freighted on Sunday week; nor the Alice Blanchard, the latter having continued her trip to Copper river. Nor was the little steamer Mist sighted on the voyage, although the Romona was passed at 4:30 Monday morning, having just got through Seymour Narrows.

Of the talked-about shipping in the north, the old bark Canada is said to be slowly but steadily settling in the water near the mouth of the river, abandoned by all having interests in her. The North Pacific is expected to make but few more trips between Lynn Canal and the Sound, her summer mission being to maintain communication between Juneau, Dyea and Skagway.

The Seattle, which spent all yesterday in port for inspection, could well afford the time, her just completed trip having been the fastest ever made between Victoria and northern ports. Incidents of the run down, as related by the log, are as follows: March 25, passed steamer Thistle; at 7:46 stopped in answer to signals, at Berner's Bay, and received on board a man who had fallen down the side of the mountain. He was badly injured and was landed in Juneau for hospital care. At 5:10 p.m. passed the steamer George W. Elder, bound up. On March 26, met steamer Navarro, north bound; also passed gasoline steamer Bessie K., bound south; met steamers Del Norte, Farallon and Tees, bound north.

March 27: passed tug Wallawalla with Yosemite in tow; also tug with the bark Colorado, bound up. March 28: met tugboat with three-masted schooner and scow, also steamers Centennial, Oregon, Lorne (with Richard III.), Romona and Al Ki.

After drill of No. 1 company in the Drill Hall last evening, Capt. Munro, in behalf of his men, presented the spoons won in the Morris Tube shooting contests of last winter. The presentation was something of a surprise to the men, who although expecting the gifts for some time were not aware that they were on hand last evening. The contests referred to were held on different dates, the first having been shot off in January, a year ago, the second in February and the third in March. The successful ones in these and the recipiants of the gifts last evening were as follows: January—First class: 1st, Sergt.-Maj. Mulcahy, 2nd, Sergt. Bailey; 2nd class: Sergt. Russell; 3rd class: Gr. Bridgman. February—First class: 1st. Sergt. Bailey, 2nd. Sergt, McLean; 2nd class: 1st Corp. Trimen, 2nd, Gr. J. K. Vigor; 3rd class: 1st, Gr. C. Harris, 2nd, Gr. E. L. Fawcett. March—First class: 1st, Sergt. Bailey, 2nd, Sergt.-Maj. Mulcahy; 2nd class: 1st, Corp. Dickinson, 2nd, G. Gaudin; 3rd class: 1st Gr. Bullock, 2nd, Gr. Grunnie.

The Charmer brought over an unusually large number of passengers last night and when they commenced to land space on the dock became scarce. Quite a few were standing around waiting to meet friends and others were there to board the boat. In the crush some of the arrivals had difficulty in handling their hand baggage and a few good natured people did what they could to help them out of their difficulty. Among the crowd a German family of two men, three women and the same number of babies landed, carrying blankets pails, band boxes, etc. Some stranger helped one of the women through the crowd with her possessions and placing them down on a vacant space on the dock went away. When the family all got together and checked over their belongings there was one parcel missing. Then there was an uproar. The woman to whom the missing parcel belonged handed her baby to a stranger and went looking for the thief. When she returned after an unsuccessful hunt the stranger to whom she had given the baby had moved away. An excited oration in the German tongue in condemnation of the city followed. No one dare approach the woman to assist or console her; she was furious, and would listen to nothing. Her wrath was somewhat quieted in a few moments by the return of the baby, but the parcel did not come back so easily. It is still missing.

W. A. and Mrs. Carlyle left yesterday morning for San Francisco, where they will spend a couple of weeks. Mr. McConnell, Mr. Carlyle's successor as provincial mineralogist, is expected to reach Victoria about the begining of May to enter upon his duties.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

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large corporation they could find ways to please that corporation but it was very different when dealing with poor workingmen. The government had allowed Mr. Corbin to take over the townsite of Rossland, but they would not get justice for the workingmen.

The increase in civil salaries was next touched on by Mr. Semlin. The government failed, he said, to have any system in the civil service and did not have any regular promotion. He complained that the government had given no indication of what they meant to do in the matter of redistribution. If a thorough system of redistribution was to take place, the details ought to have been down now. In this connection Mr. Semlin alluded to the petition from Slocan City asking for increased representation, which had been ruled out the other day. He thought that the petition should have been received.

His contention, he said, on the action of the Lieutenant-Governor in withholding assent from the Alien Labor bill was that the government should have at once resigned. He did not say that the Lieutenant-Governor had not a right to do what he did, but he claimed that the government had not risen to the occasion. For any sectional feelings on the parliament buildings the government, he felt, were responsible and not the opposition. He could not see how the parliament buildings were a credit to the country, though they might be to the architect. It was not a credit to spend so much money on buildings when the money was so much needed in other places. He thought he had heard it said that it was very necessary to have a normal school. He believed the Provincial Secretary had said that himself.

Hon. Col. Baker—"Hear, hear."

Mr. Semlin, continuing, said if the money had not been spent on the parliament buildings there might have been ample funds for a normal school. The tax on cordwood, Mr. Semlin said, was a hardship on the settler and should be abolished. The opposition had been accused of having no platform, but last summer they had put their platform before the people. One of the planks in that was equitable redistribution. He read from the opposition pamphlet issued last year.

Mr. Hunter—"Is that the Westminster platform which the gentleman is reading from, or what is it?" (Laughter.)

Mr. Semlin went on reading his pamphlet, one of the sentences being the discouragement of Oriental immigration.

Hon. Mr. Eberts—"You never will be able to carry this out personally." (Laughter.)

There was a good deal of fun and laughter and interruptions during this reading and Mr. Higgins got up on a point of order saying he wanted to hear Mr. Semlin. He had come on to the floor of the house to learn something about the political situation after having for the past nine years sat in the chair in a species of political ossification.

Mr. Semlin went on to say that the government had very much increased the burdens of the people. Their platform would contain that no doubt as a plank and also other planks favoring aid to large corporations against the interests of the people and help to Oriental immigration and sectional prejudice. We had one of the finest provinces in the world, with great resources and all it lacked was a good government. (Laughter from government side and opposition applause.)

Hon. Mr. Martin in reply to Mr. Semlin said that the government were not lacking in courage. They had one of the best provinces in the world and they had also a good government. As to the trail from Quesnelle alluded to by Mr. Semlin, arrangements had already been made for that and the government fully understood its necessity. He would like to see the province in the position of building bridges everywhere, but as to the bridge at Savonas, which Mr. Semlin had mentioned as desirable, Mr. Martin read an official report which showed that the number of teams and people which passed across the river there in a month was 50 whites, 5 Indians, 2 Chinamen, 19 pack and saddle animals, and on one day the 30 whites who passed were on their way to a funeral. Would the government be justified then in building a bridge at Savonas.

Mr. Graham making some interjection—

Mr. Martin—"I'll go for you in a few minutes; I have something for you, too."

Continuing he said that he understood that a loyal opposition was not to throw obstacles in the way of the country's progress, but only to see that a government did not become despotic. The opposition, however, had always been oppesitionists. For himself his duty was not only to look after his own district, but the whole province, and he had always tried to do his duty as Chief Commissioner without fear or favor. He did not think any one could accuse him of partiality.

At Grand Forks last year he had said that had it not been for the opposition of the gentleman representing that district the bill for a railway to Penticton would have become law. The opposition had complained that the Shuswap & Okanagan had been a drawback on the province, but if the road to Penticton was built that would put the Shuswap & Okanagan on a paying basis. He had the honor of being in charge of the Shuswap & Okanagan bill when it passed the house. Where would that district have been if that railway were not running now? Where would be the ranch of that gentleman opposite (Mr. Graham) if that road was not built? If it had not been for that road to-day they would not see a pound of Okanagan flour on the market. He was sorry the old cry of mainland versus the island had cropped up in debate. He came from the mainland, but he was just as anxious to see the island prosper as the mainland. He was for prosperity for the whole province. He had when the parliament buildings bill came down voted against it, but he was beaten and when a majority of the house said the buildings were to be erected he as Chief Commissioner had as his duty to see that they were built as economically and as well as posible.

The gentleman with a cow (Mr. Kellie) had made some comparison of districts. In Yale in 1882 the revenue paid in was $71,196 against grants of $7,013; in 1883, $80,332 against appropriations of $4,930. Therefore Yale had had as much right to kick as Kootenay. In 1884 the revenue from Yale was $89,000 and the expenditure was $28,000, yet at that time he (Mr. Martin) was a member of the government and representing that district. Instead of kicking he let the money go to other places that needed it more than did Yale. He read a number of figures to show the immense increase of work in the lands and works department and said that was sufficient answer to the opposition remarks that the lands and works had too many officials.

Returning to the Penticton road Mr. Martin said that if it had not been for the action of the opposition he believed the road would have been in operation to-day, and the province would not have to be paying the interest on the Shuswap & Okanagan bonds, for he believed that the Boundary country was as rich a mineral country as there was in British Columbia. Alluding to Mr. Kellie he was very glad that gentleman had a cow that gave so much milk, but had it not been for the government expenditure on roads and trails when that country was a calf the cow would not now be giving so much milk. Mr. Kellie had tried to get his knife into him, so to speak, for the Thompson river bridge. That bridge had been needed for many years. There were a great many settlements that would be benefitted by the bridge. It was not an election dodge. Men could not be bought in that district and let Mr. Mr. Scmlin hold up such an insinuation in that district and he will very soon regret it. (Hear, hear.) Some one of the members opposite had said the old settlers should paddle their own canoe. They had paddled their own canoe and made the chances for the newcomers. "Why, you never could have been in Kootenay," said Mr. Martin to the member for North West Kootenay, "you never would have been called Pot-hole Kellie, if it had not been for the old timers." (Roars of laughter.)

Some members had said the government were harsh with the settlers and hadn't carried out the land act. He admitted that the province might have had a couple of millions, now outstanding, if they had forced settlers to pay up or evicted them, but it would have been a terribly harsh proceeding to turn out of their homes settlers who had lived on their places for perhaps 15 years, so that the province could collect its dues.

The opposition statement that the electors were bought with their money he characterized as a gross insult. It was something that no one on the government side anyway would do. Mr. Martin spoke in satisfaction of the allusion in the budget speech to irrigating the arid land of the interior. If any reasonable proposition was made to the government he had no doubt it would be favorably entertained. He closed by saying that he was glad the financial condition of the country was so good.

The house then rose for recess.

AFTER RECESS.

Mr. Macpherson, in resuming the debate on the estimates, said that he did not believe in jealousy of island versus mainland and was himself always actuated by the good of the whole province. The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works had said that the government were courageous in their policy, but perhaps it was a case of "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread." He denied that any of the opposition had ever been averse to appropriations for roads, streets and bridges. The estimates were large and liberal according to the Finance Minister, who had also admitted that they were calculated to catch the electors at the coming election.

The Premier here rose to say it was not true that he said so, and that Mr. Macpherson knew it was not true.

Mr. Macpherson said he drew this meaning from the budget speech. He claimed that the government had on the eve of previous elections also brought down large expenditures on roads, streets and bridges. The calamity of the floods on the Fraser in 1894 was a God send to the government, as it gave the chance of expending large sums of money to purchase the electorate by giving relief to the flood sufferers. He did not say that all the extra expenditure this year was unwarranted, provided the regular growth of the districts warranted an increased grant. The mining districts warranted the expenditures. North Victoria was the only district in the province that did not have a larger vote this year than in 1895, but in South Victoria, represented by the Attorney-General, there was a very large expenditure. With all that he did not believe that the Attorney-General would be re-elected. He hoped the electors of South Victoria would not be purchased by this large vote, which was $24.30 per voting head as against $16.75 in 1895. He could not see what justified the large expenditure in that district. In Esquimalt district too, the government had made a large expenditure in hopes of catching votes, and even the member for that district, who seemed at present to assume an independent attitude might also come into line. In Cowichan district too, Mr. Macpherson took exception to the appropriation this year as too large.

As to the civil service, he believed in paying good salaries, but if any of the government officials were not cute enough to read the signs of the times this year and ask for a rise they ought to be dismissed. Mr. Macpherson went on to say that if the building of the Penticton road would make the Shuswap and Okanagan country pay, why did not the government build it? It was through the neglect of the government and not of of the opposition that the road was not built. As to the Nakusp & Slocan road the government had not pursued a business like policy, it was a case of heads you win, tails I lose. The government took all the risk and got none of the advantages. The 40 per cent. of the receipts that the government got was not sufficient. The company were allowed too much for operating expenses. The C.P.R. in its last report showed that 57 per cent. of the receipts of the whole through line was for running expenses and he held that if such was the case the Nakusp & Slocan, which was one of the best paying branches, did not need anything like 60 per cent. for working expenses. Mr. Macpherson, in the course of his remarks, favored the state ownership of railways. He claimed that the land law was not carried on properly and that the government favored the large companies. He expressed the fear that the land in the Teslin Lake district would be administered in the interests of a favored few. He branched off to the Master and Servant bill and said that the government while pretending to be in favor of Canada for the Canadians, meant, Canada for the rich men and the merchants, but not for the working men. The coal royalty of five cents a ton was, he claimed, unjust as it did not apply to all coal lands. Then timber limits had in some instances been allowed to go in arrears. From this Mr. Macpherson took up the correspondence between the Provincial and Dominion governments in regard to the protection of the river banks at Revelstoke and read lengthy extracts from it. It was the provincial government's fault, he said, that the work had not been undertaken. Mr. Macpherson's remarks lasted an hour and a half.

Mr. Braden, who followed, was in the first place about to refer to some of the details in the estimates, but Mr. Speaker reminded him that this could be touched on in committee. Mr. Braden remarked with pleasure on the healthy growth of the revenue and declared that while the province was the richest in the world in resources it was not possible to open it up and develop those resources without expending money. He told the opposition that if they got all the money they wanted for their own districts they would be perfectly satisfied no matter if the rest of the province suffered. The opposition wanted to be spoon fed or bottle fed. The mining license, Mr. Braden held, was not objected to by the British subjects, who were miners, and if it was repealed it would do away with the only chance of getting taxes out of aliens and a great many Chinese as well.

On motion of Mr. Cotton the debate was adjourned till next sitting.

PRIVILEGE.

The Premier rising to a question of privilege drew attention to the heading in the Times report of the proceedings of the previous day, which read "The government's high handed action in disallowing adjournment of debate bitterly resented." This, the Premier said, was a misrepresentation. He had never heard any proposition made in the house to adjourn the debate.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Mr. Sword introduced a bill entitled the Tramway Incorporation Amendment act.

The house adjourned between half-past ten and eleven o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Mr. Rithet—To introduce a bill to amend the Creditors Trust Deeds act.

By Hon. Mr. Turner—To introduce a bill to amend the Legal Professions act.

By Mr. Forster—For a return of tenders for supplies for the various governmental departments.

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS.

By Mr. Vedder—To ask the Chief Commissioner at whose request and whose authority was the work of removing the log jams from Vedder creek done?

By Mr. Higgins—Does the government intend to bring the Cattle act in force, and if so where?.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

The Steamer Amur Sails for the Gateway Cities of Lynn Canal.

Sealing Captains Return From the Coast — Schooner "Libby's" Good Fortune.

Cabin accommodation was fairly well utilized and considerable freight was stowed away in her holds when the Klondike Trading & Transport Corporation steamer Amur left for the North last night. Her load will be augmented at Vancouver, but the vessel will not be filled, as this has not been the case with any of the North-bound fleet for the past fortnight. The steamer's passengers list is as follows: J. H. Barnard, C. H. Parier, E. H. Bell, Felix Tarrien, H. Gowen, Jr., John Murphy, G. Sneyd, Dr. Hozier, J. B. Millburn, P. P. Warren, J. H. Barkar, R. Pigott, Geo. L. Munro, Hugh Madden, Le Comtade Roubaix, L. Nickerson, Mrs. Finlayson, J. R. Shaw, G. Postlewaithe, H. Benson, C. Strickland, G. A. Baptist, G. Stone.

AWAITING PASSENGERS.

Until advices come from Montreal concerning a number of delayed passengers, the R.M.S. Empress of India will remain at the outer wharf for an indefinite time—indefinite insofar as the hour she is to sail is concerned. She will probably leave some time to-day, however, as this was the expectation yesterday. The big white liner arrived down from Vancouver early yesterday afternoon, full to the hatches with a general cargo and with the following first saloon passengers on board: Mr. G. Ackerman, Paris; Mr. Fred. Armstrong, San Francisco; Mr. Braggiotti and valet, New York; Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Chalfant, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. E. H. Clark, Philadelphia; Mr. F. G. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. G. Clark, New York; Mr. R. E. Lifenderfer, Philadelphia; Mr. Grosgeau, New York; Mr. Hall, Chicago; Mr. J. A. Hawes and General and Mrs. Hardy, London, Eng.; Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Higinbotham, Miss Higinbotham and Miss Alice Higinbotham, Chicago; Mr. F. F. Jaques, Mr. W. P. Johnson, San Francisco; Mr. Kosugi, Tokio; Capt. J. H. Laurie, London; Mr. A. G. Parlett, Halifax; Rev. J. H. Roberts, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. McRay, London; Mr. Schlee, General J. Stahel, New York; Mrs. Smale, London; Mr. D. Thomas, New York.

HOME FOR TACKLE.

After paddling a canoe for 55 miles from Port San Juan to Victoria, Captains Fred Hackett, of the sealing schooner Libby, and Coles, of the schooner Arietas, arrived home yesterday morning, having covered the distance with favorable weather and tides in twelve hours. Their vessels they left in shelter in San Juan and they, themselves, are home to secure some tackle for the schooners. They report having seen a great many seal this year, but claim the weather has been very boisterous, preventing successful operations. The Libby despite the fact has, however, been probably more fortunate than many of the sealers, she having secured 369 skins for the Arietas' 154. The two skippers are heading for the Fairweather grounds where the biggest part of Victoria's fleet will shortly be found. They bring no news of any other schooners.

SHIPPING FOR FEBRUARY.

R. P. Rithet & Co.'s February report on freight and shipping reads as follows: The market still continues to show a downward tendency, although in most directions rates are not so much lower as might be expected. The greatest decline is to be noted in the case of grain carriers, for coastwise freights are still affected by the Klondike excitement. There is now so much tonnage on the spot and to arrive, however, that the extreme rates lately current are no longer to be had. Still lumber vessels continue so scarce that owners are able to exact pretty stiff rates, and even with an anxious enquiry the list of charters is very small. Preparations for the coming salmon season have now begun and more than one of the fleet has already been fixed. The rate is reported at 32s, 6d per ton.

THE LUMBER FLEET.

The American barkentine John Smith has been chartered by R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., to load at Chemainus for Tientsin, China. The vessel is now on her way from Honolulu to San Francisco, and arriving there will immediately head north. The bark Claverdon, 48 days from Yokohama, arrived in the Royal Roads yesterday morning in ballast. The Claverdon went to Japan from Port Blakeley with lumber. The Chilian bark Elisa, with 690,914 feet of lumber from Chemainus for Antofasgasta, sailed on Monday.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Willapa will be launched from the Esquimalt marine railway to-day, after having been thoroughly repaired.

The steamship City of Puebla arrived from San Francisco last night at 9 o'clock with 166 passengers and 138 tons of freight for Victoria. She also brought in many who are taking advantage f the cut rates on the C.P.R. to go East.

Every available berth on the Charmer was occupied on the Vancouver trip this morning, there being a large crowd of overland bound passengers on board who arived by the City of Puebla from California last evening.

A lecture entitled "London Life in Shakespeare's Time" will be delivered by Mr. J. W. Laing at the High school next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Chas. W. Grant and Luella M. Campbell, both of Tacoma, were married in the city last evening. The ceremony was performed at the manse, Cook street, by the Rev. Dr. Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. Grant will return to Tacoma to-morrow and take up their future residence there.

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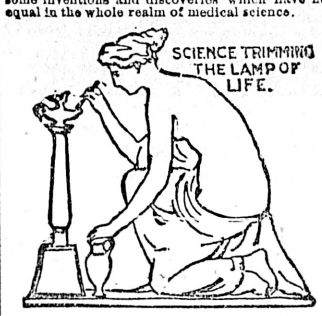

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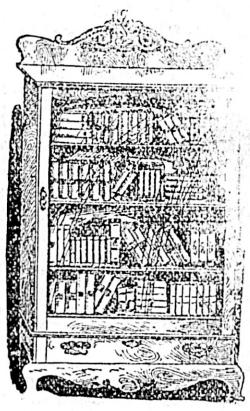

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session, by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Limited, the purchasers of the rights, powers, privileges and franchises of the Consolidated Railway Company, for an Act extending for two years the time for the completion of the works authorized by section 42 of the Consolidated Railway Company's Act, 1896.

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ROBERT CASSIDY,
Solicitor for Applicants.

Dated at Victoria this 28th day of February, 1893. m19

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during its present session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct and operate a plant for the generation of electricity for the purpose of lighting the City of Dawson on the Yukon river, in the Northwest Territory of Canada, and also for the purpose of equipping and maintaining a tramway line for the operation of tramcars in and in the vicinity of the said city by electric power, and for the supply of electric heat and power and also for the transmission of messages by telephone within such limits, with the power to expropriate lands and to acquire bonuses, privileges and aids from any government or municipal corporation or other persons, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using or taking advantage of any of the said works, with all necessary and incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during the present session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain an electric telegraph cable and telephone line between Dawson City on the Yukon river, in the North west Territory of Canada, and the City of Victoria in the Province of British Columbia, by way of Teslin Lake and Telegraph Creek, by any feasible route which may be selected, with power to expropriate and acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, concessions or other aids from any government, municipality or other persons or bodies corporate, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties sending messages over the said electric telegraph cable and telephone line, with power to connect with any electric telegraph cable or telephone line belonging to any other Company or person or persons, together with all such other powers, rights or privileges as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the objects aforesaid.

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Proposals must give a description of the size and kind of boat intended to be used, the mode of propelling the same and the various rates of toll proposed to be collected, and give the names of two persons who are willing to execute a bond for $500.00 to secure the faithful carrying out of the contract.

The competition will be on the rate of tolls and the amount of bonus to be paid to the Government annually for the exclusive privilege of operating a ferry. A certified cheque to cover the amount of the first year's bonus must accompany each proposal.

All officers of the government, with their animals and freight, to pass free.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 22nd February, 1898.

Notice to Taxpayers.

Electoral Districts of Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt, and the Land Districts, of Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino Coast, Queen Charlotte Islands, North Saanich, and parts of Barclay and Clayoquot.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act," are now due for the year 1898 Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz—

If paid on or before June, 1898:—

Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Two and one-half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars, and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent. when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

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Revenue Tax, $3 00 per capita (Victoria City excepted).

Victoria, B. C., January 6th, 1898.

C. BOOTH,
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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments:

9th February, 1898.

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JOHN WILLIAM FLETT, of Cowichan, V. I., Esquire, within and for the County of Nanaimo.

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1st March, 1898.

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No. 282.
A BY-LAW.

To provide for the weight and sale of bread and to further amend the Market By-Law.

1. All bread sold or offered for sale in the city of Victoria in whatever shape, form or fashion, must be in loaves of one pound and a half and three pounds avoirdupois weight respectively, and the price charged therefore shall be at a rate per pound, and no person shall sell or offer for sale any bread except by weight. Provided always that for bread made 24 hours and over, one ounce light weight shall be allowed for every one pound and a half of bread, but whenever such allowance in weight shall be claimed the burden of proof in respect to the time when the bread in respect of which such allowance shall be claimed, was baked, sold or exposed for sale shall devolve upon the defendant or baker of such bread.

2. Nothing in the last preceding section contained shall be construed or extended to prevent bakers or other persons from selling currant loaves, biscuits, buns, rolls, crackers, muffins, or any other fancy cakes commonly made in the trade.

3. Every baker and every vendor of bread shall keep scales and weights suitable for the weighing of bread in a conspicuous place in his shop, and every baker and every vendor of bread shall weigh the bread sold or offered for sale if requested.

4. No person shall use any alum or other deleterious material in making bread for sale, and no person shall sell or offer for sale any bread containing alum or any other deleterious material.

5. It shall be lawful for the Chief of Police and Police Constables of the said city and every one of them, and for the Medical Health Officer and Sanitary Officer and any other person the Mayor may appoint, at all reasonable hours to enter into and inspect and examine every bakery and baker's shop and other buildings and premises in the city of Victoria when any bread is or shall be baked, stored or deposited or offered for sale, and to inspect and examine all flour and materials therein intended to be used in the making of bread for sale, and also to examine all bread found therein, and to weigh the same, and also to examine every vehicle, truck, barrow, and basket in which bread may be placed or stored in the said city for the purpose of delivery before and after the sale thereof, and to examine all bread found therein and to weigh the same and to seize and carry away any bread found under weight or any bread made contrary to the provisions of this by-law, and to prosecute all breaches of this by-law before the Police Magistrate or other Justice or Justices of the Peace holding the Police Court in the said city, and on conviction of the offender (in addition to any penalty inflicted) all such bread as shall be found deficient in weight or made contrary to the provisions of this by-law shall be seized and forfeited to the use of the Corporation of the said city in such manner as may be directed by the Police Magistrate, or other, the Justice or Justices of the Peace so convicting, and if any unwholesome flour or any alum or deleterious material intended to be used in the making of bread for sale shall be found in any bakery or shop or on the premises thereof the Chief of Police or other Police constable or other person finding the same shall take away a small sample thereof for the purpose of evidence.

6. Every person making for sale or selling any bread, or having or offering any bread for sale, or for delivery upon or after sale, or in supply of contract, or being in possession or in charge of any bread for sale or delivery within the said city, or of any bakery or shop in the said city, for the making of bread, or of any vehicle, truck, barrow or basket for the delivery of bread, before or after sale thereof, shall, upon the request of the Chief of Police or any Police Constable or member of the Police Force of the said city, or any other person appointed by the Mayor as aforesaid, submit to and permit and assist the inspection, weighing and examination of such bread under this by-law, and also the inspection of such vehicle, truck, barrow or basket for the delivery of bread, and also such bakery or shop and all bread therein, and also all flour, meal and materials found therein intended to be used in the making of bread for sale, and for that purpose shall open all ways, doors, locks, and fastening in and about the same, and about all cupboards, boxes and compartments herein, and no such person or persons as aforesaid shall, nor shall any other person whatsoever in any way thwart, refuse, impede, hinder or prevent any such inspection, weighing and examination of bread, or the inspection of any vehicle, truck, barrow or basket for the delivery of bread, or any bakery or shop or any flour, meal or other materials therein intended to be used in the making of bread for sale.

7. Section 1 of the Market By-Law, 1896, is hereby repealed.

8. This by-law may be cited as the "Bread By-Law, 1898."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 28th day of February, 1898.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed the Council on the 21st day of March, 1898.

(L.S.)
CHARLES E. REDFERN.
Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
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NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the city of Victoria, on the 21st day of March, 1898, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law or any part thereof quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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GALIANO.

Galiano, B. C., March 28.—On good authority it is understood that work will shortly be proceeded with on Tumbo island for the purpose of ascertaining the existence of coal, and boring for same will commence at an early date, orders being received for the preliminary preparations in connection with the undertaking. The prospective indications of coal on the island, and the assuring circumstances attending the experiment with the drill hole, which was put down 500 feet 5 years ago, gave encouragement to a party of capitalists, who immediately began the working of the mine, and it is estimated that some $50,000 was expended at the time, two or three large shafts being sunk at great depths, but with no good result. The fatal boiler explosion of five years ago, at the mouth of one of these shafts, whereby two men lost their lives, is one of the sad reminiscences of the fruitless undertaking.

The mine has since been abandoned, but not the attempt to unearth and discover the whereabouts of the coal, and it was by persistent efforts on the part of two or three prominent members of the old company, together with the conclusive belief that coal is to be found there that a new company has been organized to thoroughly test its existence.

THE KETTLE RIVER ROAD.

The following is from a recent issue of the Rossland Miner:

These are the facts of the case as regards the railway situation in the Boundary Creek country:

The provincial government has subsidized the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway from Robson to Penticton in order to insure the construction of an all-Canadian railway from the Columbia river westward to the Okanagan valley. The C. P. R. has gained control of this charter, and intends, without further delay, to commence the construction of the line, which is the natural and only available all-Canadian extension of the Crow's Nest Pass railway.

By the granting of the Crow's Nest Pass railway subsidy, the Dominion government gained control of the C. P. R. traffic rates in British Columbia, and it was also stipulated that, in all its extensions built subsequent to the granting of the subsidy, the C. P. R. should not enjoy a monopoly of routes. It will thus be seen that the building of the C. P. R. from Robson into the Boundary Creek country would not necessarily monopolize the only available pass through the Gold Range.

The Penticton extension of the C. P. R. will touch all points in the Kettle river valley that would be reached by the proposed Corbin line, and will, besides, traverse the entire district of South Yale, east and west. The management of the C. P. R. has emphatically declared that the Robson-Penticton road will be completed and in operation as quickly as it would be possible to build a road to the Boundary Creek country by any other route.

The C. P. R. also promises to foster and encourage the local smelting industry in Kootenay and South Yale.

On the other hand, the Kettle River Valley railway company has evinced no disposition to promote the prosperity of this country; on the contrary, Mr. Corbin has been at considerable pains to foster and encourage the smelting industry of the United States at the expense of British Columbia. This is best proved by the fact that he preferred to have the Le Roi smelter erected at Northport, Washington, instead of at Sayward, British Columbia, where the opportunities for economical smelting are just as favorable as at the first named place.

The Miner is perfectly independent and unbiased in this matter, and desires to see the question given the fullest possible discussion. The more it is threshed out the better it will be for Southern British Columbia. But Rossland must be guided by events as they arise. So far we have a fairly satisfactory statement of the intentions of the C. P. R. That company at least evinces a disposition to foster and encourage Canadian industries. Mr. Corbin does not. But we are of the opinion that he should be compelled to do so if he is ever granted another railway charter in British Columbia.

THE PROFITS OF NICKEL MINING.

The production of nickel from the mines of the Sudbury district last year was about 3,000,000 pounds, an increase over that of 1896 of nearly 250,000 pounds, and the copper in the ore was about 3,750,000. The price of nickel in the United States during the year kept steady at 33 to 38 cents, and in England at 26 to 32 cents a pound. A little more than half of the nickel was consumed in the United States, and the rest was sent to Europe, where the market for nickel has expanded very considerably of late. But, putting the nickel all rond at 30 cents, and the copper at 10 cents a pound, the total output of the mines was worth, after being refined, $1,545,000.

From these estimates, the profits of the business of the year have been placed approximately as follows: Labor, including management, office expenses, and roasting the ore, $220,000; fuel (coke, wood and blacksmith's coal), $130,000; powder, steel and supplies of all kinds, $35,000; transportation of matte to refinery and running ore train, $20,000; repairs of plant and railway tracks, $15,000; incidentals, $1,000; all of which comes to $440,000. Then for refining the nickel at 10 cents a pound, $390,000, and for refining the copper at 1½ cents a pound, $56,250, making the whole cost of the finished products ready for market, $886,250; and which leaves, after allowing $70,000 for agents' commissions, storage and ocean freights, the handsome profit of $608,000.

The rentals from village lots, tenement houses, stores and other buildings, should more than offset the insurance and taxes. It is said that nickel is now being refined for seven to eight cents a pound, but in the above calculation the old charge of ten cents a pound is taken for this large item in order to be on the safe side. The cobalt, gold and platinum in the ore are also of considerable value.—Sudbury Journal.

MILK AND A FORK FROM ONE COW.

"A rather unusual thing occurred up at our town one day recently," said Mr. B. F. Davis, a well known and reputable merchant of Ezel, Ky.

"While milking a cow, Mr. D. S. Rose, one of our respected citizens, noticed the tines of an old-fashioned table fork protruding from behind one of the animal's forelegs. Wondering how the fork could have gotten there, Mr. Rose attempted to extract it from the cow's skin, but found the thing stuck fast and causing the old milcher much pain.

"Dr. A. B. Nickel, a neighboring physician, was called in and found a surgical operation was neccessary to remove the fork and relieve faithful old Pide's suffering. An incision was made in the animal's shoulder and a four-tined fork taken from the dumb brute's flesh.

"It is supposed that the cow swallowed the fork while eating bran from a box last spring, and the piece of table cutlery had just worked out behind the foreleg after all those months. The wonder is that the fork didn't strike a vital and kill the heifer. Dr. Nickell has the fork on exhibition at his office in Ezel."—Louisville Evening Post.

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PATRIOTISM AT SKAGWAY.

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Clean to th' top o' Skagway pass where th' sojers hold the fort;
We gathered at the Board o' Trade an' Long-Eared Parson John
Read how the Stars and Stripes had been a sort o' trampled on;
An' how, down there in Congress, they had anteed up a pile
To plant a loud, emphatic gun at ev'ry half a mile.

An' how the Congress people were a little bit afraid
It would be too infernal long before the guns were made;
An' until those guns were finished we would have to swallow all
The Spanish cared to say or else our east-coast towns would fall,
Which bein' read he cleared his throat and said: "I move you gents,
That Skagway plays the limit right straight from the commence;
An' if, as they believe, they can't get guns made quick enough,
Why, here's a thirty-eight which I allow's about the stuff."

Whereat he loosened from his belt and laid it on the bar,
The weapon which for several men had set the gates ajar,
An' Soapy Smith, the card sharp, drew an ivory-handed "beaut,"
An, put it on the counter, an' the crowd all followed suit;
The muzzle of the daisy that took off the marshal's ear
Laid right beside the weapon which had punctured Rino Pierre,
An' near by was the gentle, inoffensive little thing
That had wafted Bunco Charlie to the place where angels sing.

Then Soapy Smith, the card sharp, standin' near 'em on a chair,
Observed: "When Spain gets to the coast she'll find a welcome there;
We'll box 'em up and ship 'em by the first boat on the run
To President McKinley, who abides at Washington.
An' in the, hist'ry books we'll read the nation's proudest boast
How Skagway men sent Skagway guns to save the eastern coast;
An' bein' the one town where men made sacrifice sublime
Because their country could not build its coast defence in time."

Ah, Skagway's the community where people fall in line
When somethin's to be done requirin' work exceedin' fine.
We didn't wait for shootin' by the Spaniards to commence
Before we sent tried weapons for the eastern coast's defence.
Whenever eastern people find they can't maintain their gait,
We ask 'em that to Soapy Smith their needs they'll indicate.
An' we in truest brotherhood will always take their parts,
Although it be a sacrifice of somethin' next our hearts.

—Alaska Mining Record.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

Calm disregard of geographical facts which do not quite fit in with United States ideas is, we say, characteristic of the dominating classes in the United States. This conversation passed the other day in New York:

New Yorker—Going up to Canada, are you? Pretty thin country that.

Englishman—Indeed, our geographies tell us there are more square miles within it than within the United States.

New Yorker—Pretty poor country, anyway.

Englishman—Poor, is it? Do you remember your Black Friday in New York? Where did you go for money in that pinch? To the Bank of England? No. You went to the Bank of Montreal, and the point is worth remembering.

MINE OWNERS PETITION.

They Like Canadian Merchants See Harm to Result From the Corbin Railway Scheme.

Nelson, March 26.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the West Kootenay Protective Association, held at Nelson to-day, the president, Mr. H. E. Croasdile, presiding, there was a large and representative attendance, and several letters of apology were read from members in outlying districts, regretting their inability to be present. The following petition which has been signed by the leading business men of Nelson and vicinity was presented and unanimously adopted:

"To the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, K.C.M.G., and Executive Council of the Dominion of Canada:—

"A petition of the undersigned business men of Nelson, in the district of West Kootenay, provnce of British Columbia respectfully showeth that:

"Whereas it is a matter of greatest importance to the welfare of Canadian commerce that the charter now being applied for by Mr. D. C. Corbin into Boundary Creek and Kettle River districts be not granter; and

"Whereas in the event of the proposed railway being built, the trade of that section of the country will be diverted from Canadian to America centres. As an instance we would respectfully point out that at present 60 per cent. of the merchandise hauled into West Kootenay over the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway (of which Mr. Corbin is president), is of American manufacture and not made in Canada as would be represented by the persons applying for the charter. And

"Whereas the construction of the proposed railway would divert the ores of the Bondary Creek district to American smelters, thereby depriving Canada of the benefits of this large and rapidly growing industry, which industry we would respectfully urge upon your honorable body to foster in every possible way; and

"Whereas it is understood the C.P.R. Company are prepared to immediately extend from the Columbia river westward into the Bondary Creek district, we feel strongly upon the government receiving full assurance of the prompt prosecution of this work that the Canadian Pacific company should have the preference over a line that would darw trade from Canadian channels;

"Therefore your petitioners pray that the charter applied for be not at present granted to Mr. D. C. Corbin, in the face of the fact that a Canadian road is ready to at once build into the Boundary Creek country, and thus preserve to Canada the trade and smelting industries which are rightfully hers.

"And as in due bound, your petitioners will ever pray, etc."

There was a long discussion on the subject, during which it was pointed that should the charter be granted Mr. Corbin it would affect disastrously the best interests of this country. Situated as Nelson is geographically and with the Crow's Nest Pass line nder construction, it was the opinion of the meeting that to encourage a system which would divert the trade of the country to the American side is undesirable. The smelters of this country should be encouraged, and so long as roads controlled by Americans carry the ores of this country to smelters on their side of the border, so long will that important industry be retarded here.

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By City of Kingston from the Sound—Mrs. Atholt and daughter, W J Pratt, E E Smith, Miss M Black, J P Ritchie, W Martin, Mrs H H Smith, Mrs Miller, W Galbraith, A H Proctor, J Hempson, John Marre, Miss Bridges, Miss Cleveland, L C Phelps, Miss Boyd, Mrs. S Marion, Joe Cohn, Z Riopel, W H Wilson, W H Hatler, Thos Quinn, P Cannahan, Mrs J C Harris G J Todd, Mrs McGregor, Miss Glover, E S Glover, J H Anderson and wife, Mrs G H Lunt, C W Grant and wife, Mrs G Roberts, A A DeCon, A C McLauchlan, Charles Butler, Miss Merrilson, Chas Duncan, Jno Dudley, G E Buckingham, C Brimstone, Mrs Jno Morrison, C Miller, Mrs Wheeler, W Humphrey, M G Hall, D Cook, J T Richardson, M G Yalable, Sam Smith, A Bush, O Vell, C Smith, J Atlo, R Vershara, N Oldfield, F Linson, A Carlson, W Long, Jas Gunter, wife and daughter, C W Smith, T Merrill, H McKay, S Page, S Kirkpatrick, T Nagle, Jas Callahan, R Benito, A Pritchard, Mrs Confitts, L Alson, E G Harvey, W McFerther, A Artland, Jno Ollver, W Sawyer, A Munn, G Canston, S LeRoi, H Smith, W H Sherwood, P Carlson, J Wallace, Wm Friend, Neal Donough, H K Jensen, J Anderson, H Wally, F Call, Mrs Anderson, C F Sheffield, E Pritchard, J Feigh, R Jensen.

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Among the passengers by the Alberni mail stage last evening was Mr. H. S. Law, of Alberni, who was en route to Victoria with a fine collection of specimens from several Alberni mineral claims. To the Nanaimo Free Press he stated that there is a marked improvement in the confidence felt in the mineral prospects of Alberni and there is a larger number out prospecting now than at any time during the past twelve months. Mr. Law had with him several rich specimens from the Raven group of claims, in which two ledges are respectively 7 feet 4 inches and 3 feet 6 inches in width, the ore showing 24 per cent. copper almost at the surface. He also had samples from the Violet claim, near the Alberni-Consolidated, in which the gold could be seen with the naked eye. This rock is almost identical in appearance with the Alberni-Consolidated.

The Enterprise, Copper Queen and Pansy Blossom, (the latter being near Alberni), are showing up remarkably well.

Several mining men from Seattle, Tacoma and other cities on the Sound have been visiting Alberni and Clayoquot, and have obtained options on several groups of claims, making a cash deposit in each instance.

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HIDING THE WHISKEY.

Alaska's Governor Says That Any Future Supplies Must Be Smuggled in.

At Washington He Will Ask Abolition of Fees of Office and Other Reforms.

The next steamer from the north going through to Puget Sound is expected to have among her passengers Governor Brady, of Alaska, who after officially acquainting himself with the conditions and necessities of Juneau, Dyea, Skagway and Wrangel, is now to visit the national capital. The scope and object of his mission are disclosed in an interview given by him to the Skagway News during his stay in the place of its publication. Of course the first question asked him was:

"Are the saloons to be closed?"

On this subject the chief executive of the district was not slow in answering:

"The saloons will be closed," he said, "if I am able to have it done. Not that that will stop the sale and use of intoxicating liquors in the district, but the law must be observed, and it is very certain that whiskey cannot legally be sold in Alaska. The officers to do this are the marshal, prosecuting attorney and the collector; working together they can close the saloons and if they have any influence they will do so at once.

"Of course I know that the liquor will continue to come in. Prohibition cannot be made a success here. I am in favor of high license myself, and shall try to bring about a code of laws for Alaska which will allow the sale of liquor, but keep it confined to as narrow limits as possible. Four saloons will be enough for Skagway and a $1,000 license would reduce the number to that figure. Then the sale can be controlled and a very nice revenue be derived from the licenses.

"I came to this district as a missionary and I speak from the standpoint of one when I say that high license is the only solution of our liquor problem. The breweries have been closed already. One brewer down at Sumdum, with tears in his eyes implored the marshal to refrain from closing his business down. He said that everything he had in the world was invested in that brewery and it would simply ruin him if it was closed. The brewery will remain idle and British Columbia liquor will be smuggled in to meet the demand. As long as the traffic must go ahead the government ought to get a revenue out of it. Instead of letting this foreign stuff come in free."

"Has your trip to the capital any especial significance?" was asked.

"Yes. It has. I am going to try and effect several [illegible] Alaska while I am in Wash[illegible]n. First, I am going to make a strong effort to get the general land laws of the United States extended to Alaska. That will require a simple act, entailing less than a dozen words, but very important to the people of the district. I consider that the impossibility to secure titles to land in Alaska has done more than anything else to retard its growth. Immediate help in that regard should be given. All departments of business and commercial development are paralyzed and the wheels of justice clogged by the want of land titles.

"I shall try, too, while in Washington to expose the many defects of the present bill before Congress and relating to Alaska, especially that proposing three judges—one to sit at St. Michael's, one at Sitka and one at Circle City. The first named place is a military reservation, and the latter is almost deserted now. The measure has too many defects to enumerate. In my last report I recommended the appointment of a commission who should sit in Alaska and with the help of the people interested arrange a code of laws for the government.

"All fees of offices should be abolished, and nothing but the salary system employed here. The fee system is extremely vicious, especially when applied to the judiciary. We should by all means have a board of inspectors for steam vessels in Alaska. Events of recent months emphasize that fact. Up on the Yukon there will soon be a large fleet of steamboats none of which will ever be inspected.

"We need laws that will give us the right to govern ourselves. We need roads and schools. We cannot expect people to come here to make their homes until they can acquire titles to their homes, nor can we expect people to bring their children here without schools and some sort of order. Why I have lived here for twenty years, and have never been able to get a legal road from the sawmill to my house, a distance of half a mile. We are getting a fine class of men coming to Alaska, and if we had a good code of laws many of them would no doubt stay here, and we could soon do as California did—apply for admission as a state.

"The Oregon people, its senators and representatives, are to blame for the deplorable condition in which we find ourselves. They must have been asleep to have slighted this district, when it was given the meagre laws it has and to have lost the immense business it had from our people. As an illustration of the absence of laws which we suffer from, there is no place to take care of an insane person, unless he is a criminal."

THEIR DAY IS DONE.

Klondike Dogs Have Had Their Hour of Glory, But 'Tis Past—Outfitting Continues

About the last hope of being able to dispose of dogs trained for the Klondike transportation business has gone. Reports from the north are to the effect that hundreds of unclaimed dogs are running loose on the trails eating up the carcases of dead horses. There is, however, a large surplus of canines still in the city, and owners are puzzled to know how to get rid of them. No one seems to want them as presents, and the only thing left to be done appears to be to slaughter them. A large wagon load was taken out to the beach yesterday morning and put quietly out of existence.

Geo. Brimston, who left Victoria for the Klondike about two years ago, and who came out last January after accumulating considerable wealth and went on East, is again in the city transacting business with outfitters. Mr. Brimston leaves for the north in a few days, and will be accompanied by Alex. Calder, of Vleden, Man. They are registered at the Dominion.

Stephen Brown, of Clearmont, Ohio; J. L. Williams, Clarinda, Ont.; W. O. Manley and John Kleeman, of Maryville, Ohio, are registered at the Australia. They are en route to Klondike, and have come to Victoria to purchase their necessary supplies.

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IT IS A GOOD THING.

Proposals of a Klondike Navigation Company Recently Placed on the London Market.

"A trading company with a practical monopoly" is the modest claim of the Lake Bennett and Klondike Steam Navigation Company, Limited, recently offered to the British public in a prospectus printed in the London Times. The capital is placed at £150,000. The objects of the company as set forth are to acquire contracts entered into with certain companies and individuals for the machinery and hulls of three stern-wheel steamers, which are to run on Lake Bennett; for the transportation of 50,000 pounds of machinery, etc., from Victoria to Lake Bennett; and also for a sawmill of a capacity of 2,000 feet of lumber per day. The promoters estimate that 40,000 people will go over the White and Chilcoot passes to Lake Bennett, and that as they are likely to have the only steamers on the route they will have a monopoly of the passenger and freight traffic by means of the aforesaid three stern-wheel steamers. Various grants and privileges are expected to be acquired from the local and federal governments, and all these with the contracts above mentioned and the two thousand feet capacity sawmill are to form the collateral to be surrendered to the company for the modest sum of £100,000, £15,000 of which is to be in cash, £50,000 in paid-up stock, and the balance in cash or shares, or all of either, at the option of the directors.

It is proposed to earn £58,750 per month, or £235,000 for the season with the three steamers, one above and two below the White Horse Rapids, by carrying passengers and freight from Lake Bennett to Dawson. The above earnings are based upon a charge for passengers of £25 and 6d per pound for freight, which is quite in line with the other modest proposals of the company.

The promoter of the company is Francis Mawson Rattenbury, of Victoria, who has entered into contracts with the Albion Iron Works, W. J. Stephen, A. M. Bannerman and James Bryce (the two latter being described as "the well-known transportation contractors of Victoria) and with the Klondike Gold Reefs Exploration Co.

The London directors are comprised as follows: Right Hon. the Earl of Dunmore, F.R.G.S., chairman; R. Byron Johnson, Henry McDowell, Arthur J. Sanderson and The. O'Clery, of London, Eng. The advisory board in Victoria are: Walton Edward Dowlen, M. E., B.C., managing director, Victoria, late government survey and mineralogical departments, British Columbia, (whether as surveyor-general or minister of mines is not stated); Hon. David W. Higgins, M.P.P., speaker legislative assembly, British Columbia., and I. W. Powell, late superintendent of Indian affairs, all of Victoria, B.C.

News has yet to be received as to whether any accidents occurred during the rush to acquire stock in a company which was selling to the British public such a sure thing in the way of a profit-earner.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

A Very Buoyant Day Follows the Publication of the Maine Report.

New York, March 28.—The familiar spectacle was presented on the stock exchange of a violent reaction upon the culmination of an event which has been long anticipated and correspondingly discounted. The facts in to-day's market that the Maine board of inquiry were presented to congress, and were proved to be exactly as foreshadowed in the public newspapers for many days past. Yet the actual publication of the report set in a rebound in prices which at the high point of the day had wiped out a large proportion of the losses which accrued since the explosion in Havana harbor. This was brought about by the movement of the traders to take their profits. Having been industriously selling stocks for weeks in anticipation of the harm to values to be done by the Maine report, they were warned by the imminence of the actual publication that the lowest prices to be looked for on that account had been reached, and they therefore set about to buy stocks to fill their contracts.

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A Dishonest Bank Manager Makes Way With a Fortune.

Philadelphia, March 28.—Richard F. Loper, vice-president and general manager of the guarantee Finance Company, was placed under arrest to-day charged with conspiracy to cheat and defraud the Peoples' Bank. The warrant was sworn out by Albert Taylor, receiving teller of the People's Bank. When the bank closed its doors on March 25, Loper was said to be indebted to that institution to the extent of about $600,000, and he had given security which is practically worthless.

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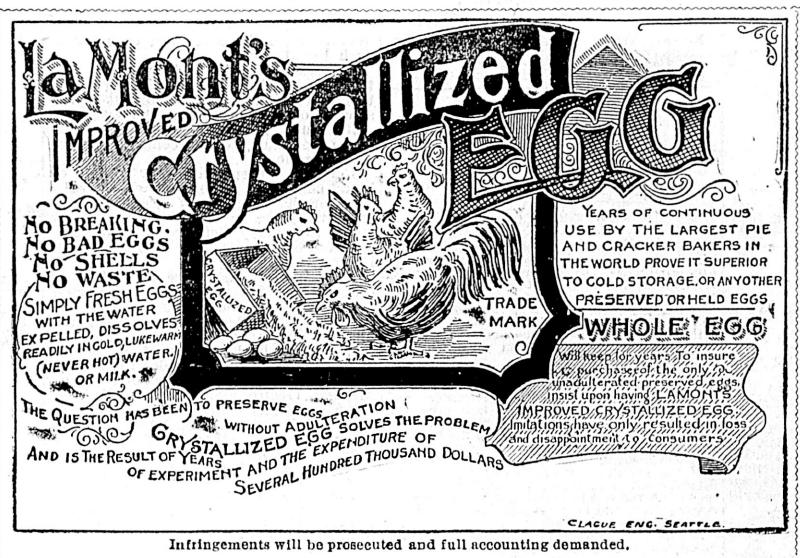

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Seattle, Jan 26, 1898.

Mr. C. Fred LaMont—

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We were so perfectly satisfied with them that we had no use for any other eggs. I was steward of the ship. I was very glad to find them here again, as I am going with a party to Dyea to open a boarding-house, and have bought a good lot to take with us, knowing from experience that they will prove the most valuable part of our stores.

I shall use eggs in no other form while there, and you will receive orders from time to time as we require them.

You are at liberty to refer anyone to me at any time.
Sincerely yours, JOHN S COLUMBUS,
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